

Non-Abelian Vortices

— *Five Years Since the Discovery* —

Towards New Developments in Field and String Theories

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§1. Introduction: What are Vortices?

Vortices are **topological solitons**

- of codimension 2: **point-like** in $d = 2 + 1$, **string** in $d = 3 + 1$,
- to exist when symmetry is broken $G \rightarrow H$ with

$$\boxed{\pi_1(G/H) \simeq \pi_0(H) \simeq H/H_0 \neq 0}$$
 for simply connected G ,

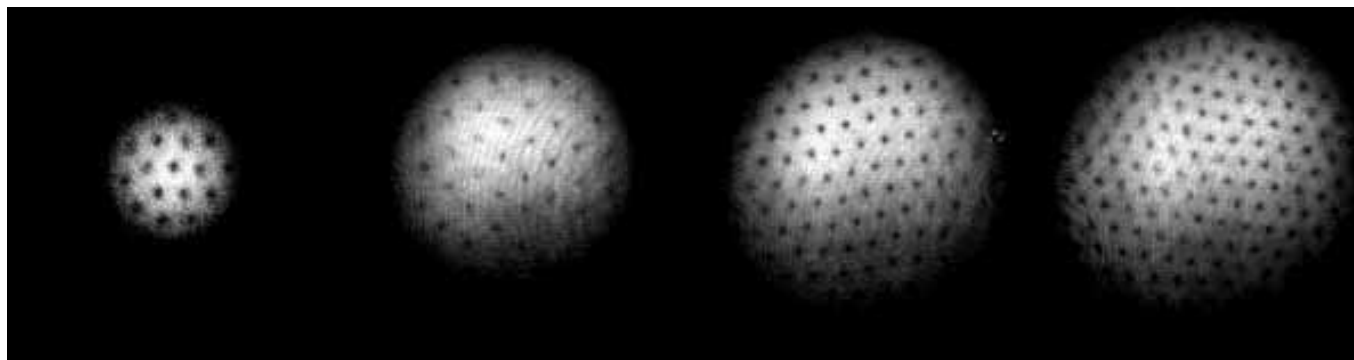
- formed via the **Kibble-Zurek mechanism** or **rotation** of media,
- carrying **magnetic flux** or **circulation** which is **quantized**.

	Defects codim $n + 1$	Textures codim n	Gauge Structure codim $n + 1$
π_n			
π_0	domain walls(kinks)		
π_1	vortices	nonlinear kinks(sine-Gordon)	
π_2	monopoles	lumps(2D skyrmions)	
π_3		Skyrmions (textures)	YM instantons

They appear in various area of physics:

1. **condensed matter physics**

- **superconductor** (Abrikosov lattice) **Abrikosov('57)**
- **superfluid** ^4He **Onsager('49), Feynman('55)**
superfluid ^3He
- (skyrmions in) quantum Hall effects
- (Bloch line in) Ferromagnets
- atomic gas **Bose-Einstein condensation** (cold atom) (**'01-**)
- **quantum turbulence** (Kolmogorov law)



MIT [Abo-Shaer et.al, Science 292 (2001) 476]

2. cosmology and astrophysics

- a candidate of **cosmic strings**

Phase transition occurs in the early Universe.

⇒ **vortices** must form (**Kibble mechanism**) Kibble ('76)

(cf: monopoles ⇒ monopole problem Preskill, Guth('79))

Suggested as a source of **structure formation** ('80s – early'90)

⇒ **ruled out** by **Cosmic Microwave Background** ('98 - '01)

- **vortex-ring(=vorton)**: candidate of dark matter, ultra high energy cosmic ray

- Recent revivals of cosmic strings ('03 - present):

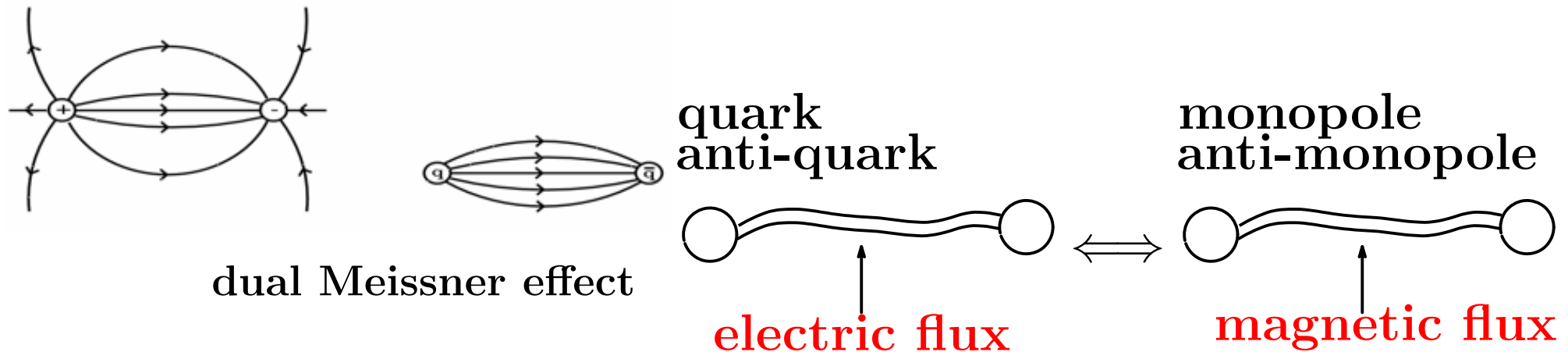
(a) **cosmic superstrings** (F/D-strings) in string theory, brane inflation Dvali-Tye, Polchinski etc ('04)

(p,q) string network

(b) possible **detection** of cosmic strings by CMB, gravitational lensing, gravitational wave

3. **high energy physics**

- **magnetic flux tube** confining monopoles **Nielsen-Olesen('73)**
= **dual superconductor** 'tHooft, Nambu, Mandelstam ('74)



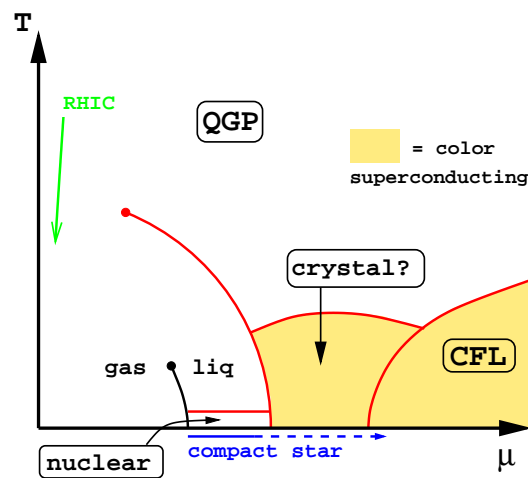
- **The center vortex mechanism** 'tHooft, Cornwall etc ('79)
trying to extend it to **color(non-Abelian)** gauge symmetry

⇒ ⇒ ⇒ ⊖ ⇐ ⇐ ⇐ ⇐ ⊕ ⇒ ⇒ ⇒ lattice sim. **Ambjorn et.al ('00)**

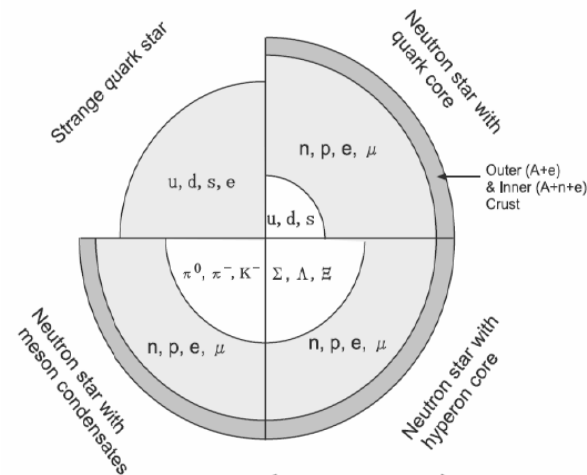
- **Supersymmetric QCD** **Hanany-Tong, Konishi group(Pisa), Shifman-Yung(Minnesota), TITech ('03-)**
- **Weinberg-Salam, Nambu('77), Vachaspati('92)**
- **SO(10) GUT Kibble ('82), SUSY GUTs Jeannerot et al ('03)**

4. hadron physics

- proton vortices and neutron vortices in hadronic phase of neutron stars \Rightarrow pulsar glitch Anderson-Itoh('75)
- color superconductivity (core of neutron stars) Iida-Baym etc('01), Balachandran-Digal-Matsuura('05), Nakano-MN-Matsuura('07)
- chiral phase transition Brandenberger('97), Balachandran-Digal('01), MN-Shiki, Nakano-MN-Matsuura('07)
- YM plasma Chernodub-Zakharov, Liao-Shuryak('07-)



Alford et.al



Hatsuda et.al

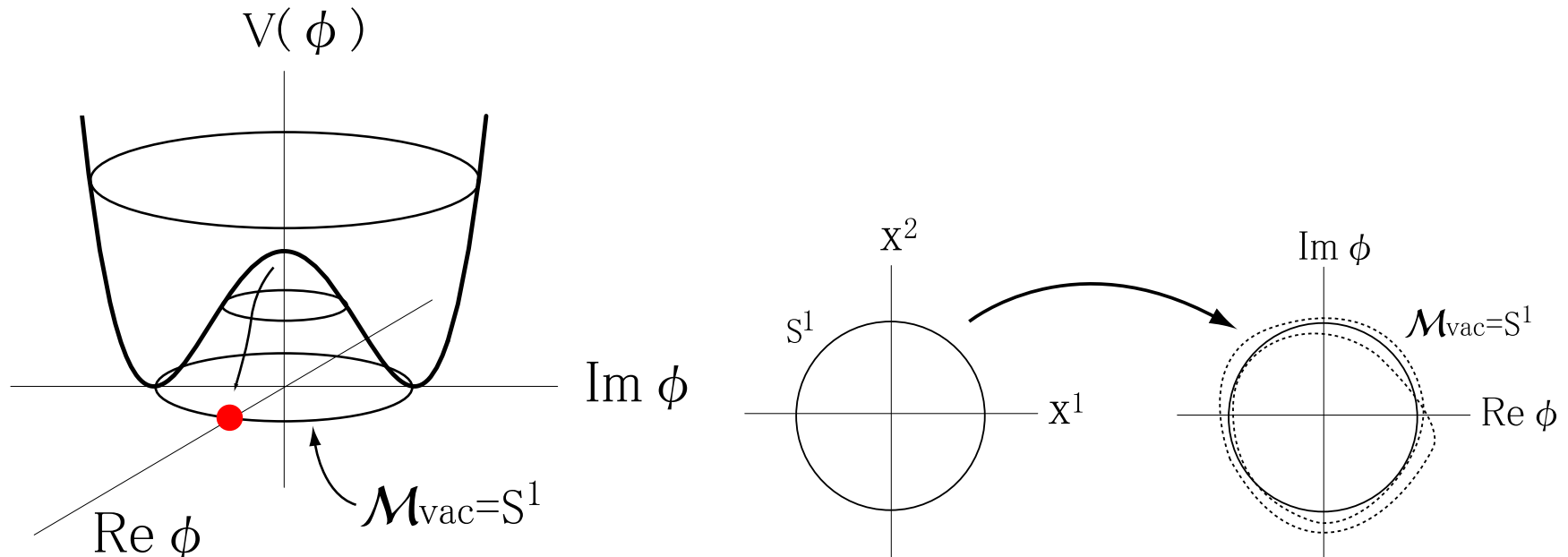
Abelian Vortices

Vortices appear when $U(1)$ **local** sym. is spontaneously broken.
The Abelian Higgs model [(gauged) Landau-Ginzburg model]

$$H = \int d^2x \left[\frac{1}{2e^2} (\mathbf{E}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2) + |(\nabla - i\mathbf{A})\phi|^2 + \underbrace{\frac{\lambda}{4} (|\phi|^2 - c)^2}_{V(\phi)} \right] \quad (1)$$

e : gauge coupling, λ : Higgs scalar coupling, $v = \langle \phi \rangle = \sqrt{c}$

local(=gauge) symmetry: $\phi(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha(x)}\phi(x)$, $\mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{A} + \nabla\alpha(x)$

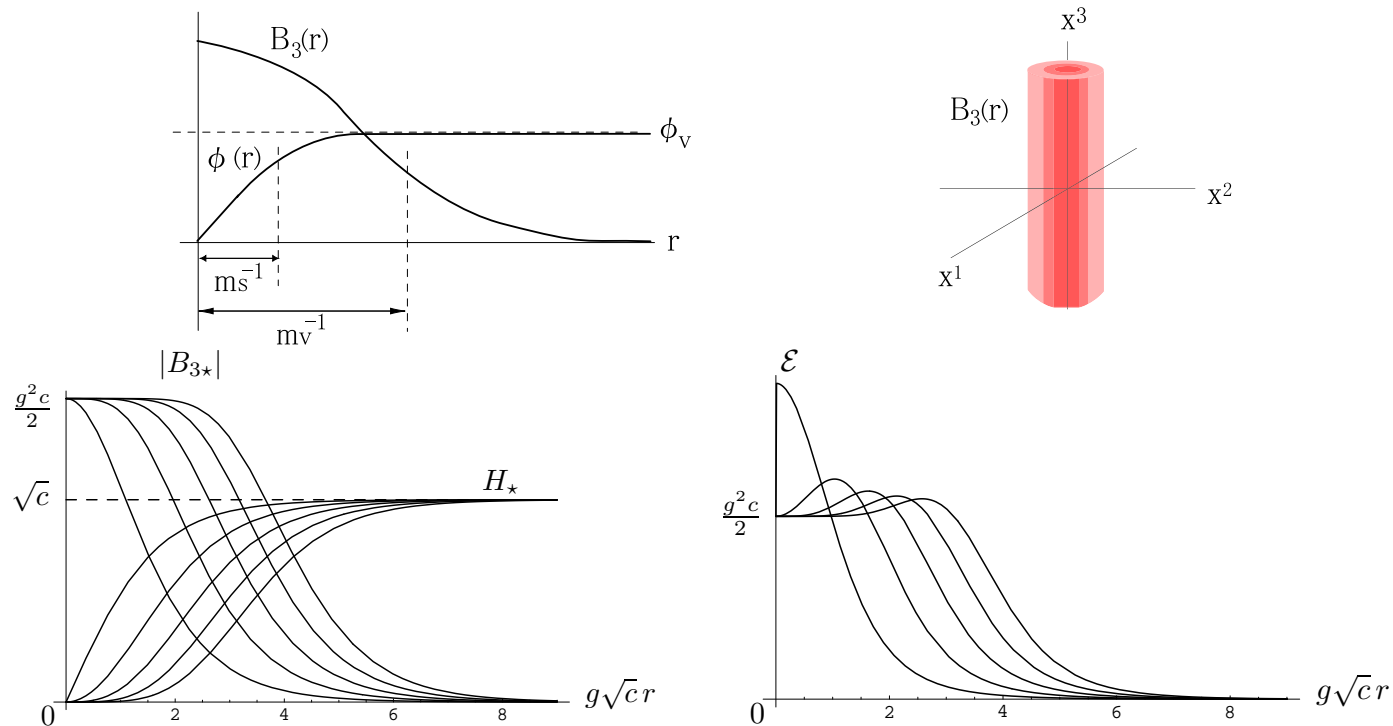


Magnetic flux is **quantized** to be **integer**.

Vortex(winding) #(=vorticity) is given by 1st homotopy class:

$$\int d^2x B_3 = 2\pi c k, \quad k \in \pi_1[U(1)] = \mathbf{Z}.$$

Abrikosov('57) and **Nielsen-Olesen('73)** (**ANO vortices**).



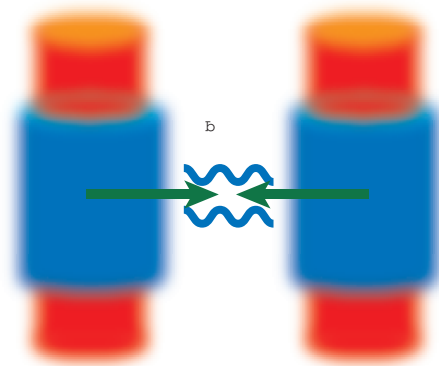
U(1) gauge symmetry is recovered in the core

e : gauge coupling, λ : Higgs scalar coupling, v : VEV of scalar

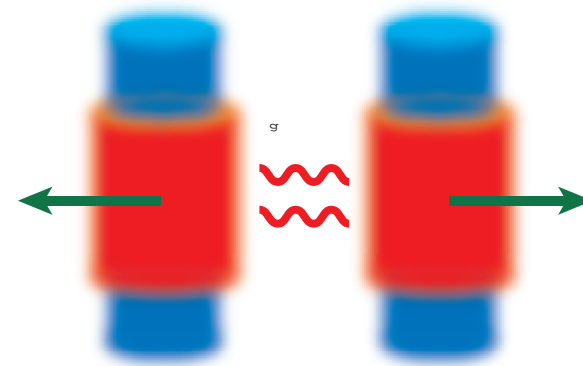
gauge mass: $m_v \simeq \sqrt{2}ev \Rightarrow$ penetration depth: $r_v = m_v^{-1} \simeq (\sqrt{2}ev)^{-1}$

scalar mass: $m_s \simeq \sqrt{\lambda}v \Rightarrow$ coherence length: $r_s = m_s^{-1} \simeq (\lambda v)^{-1}$

type	range	static force	stability under B
type I	$r_v < r_s$ ($2e^2 > \lambda$)	attractive force	unstable
type II	$r_v > r_s$ ($2e^2 < \lambda$)	repulsive force	stable Abrikosov lattice
critical	$r_v = r_s$ ($2e^2 = \lambda$)	non (\rightarrow moduli dynamics)	



type I



type II

Critical coupling (Bogomol'nyi-Prasad-Sommerfield = BPS)

$$H = \int d^2x \left[\frac{1}{2e^2} B_z^2 + |(\nabla - i\mathbf{A})\phi|^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} (|\phi|^2 - c)^2 \right] \quad (2)$$

$\lambda = 2e^2$ (**critical**) (\leftarrow realized by *Supersymmetry*)

$$\begin{aligned} H &= \int d^2x \left[|(\partial_x - iA_x)\phi + i(\partial_y - iA_y)\phi|^2 + \frac{1}{2e^2} \{B_z + e^2(|\phi|^2 - c)\}^2 \right] \\ &\quad + c \int d^2x B_z \\ &\geq c \int d^2x B_z = 2\pi c k, \quad k \in \mathbf{Z} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

“=” \Leftrightarrow **Bogomol'nyi bound** (energy minimum)

The most *stable* for a fixed vortex number k .

The BPS equation (vortex equation)

$$(\mathcal{D}_x + i\mathcal{D}_y)\phi = 0, \quad B_z + e^2(|\phi|^2 - c) = 0 \quad (4)$$

BPS solitons allow **the moduli space** \mathcal{M}_k .

1. All possible configurations.
2. **Dynamics/scattering** = **geodesic** motion on the moduli space (geodesic/Manton approx.).
3. Collective coordinate quantization.
4. Integration over the instanton moduli space (Nekrasov).
5. Topological invariants (mathematics)

The moduli space of ANO(Abelian) vortices

E. Weinberg ('79)

The index theorem counting zero modes: $\dim \mathcal{M}_k = 2k$.

Taubes ('80) Rigorous proof of the existence and uniqueness of multiple vortex solutions.

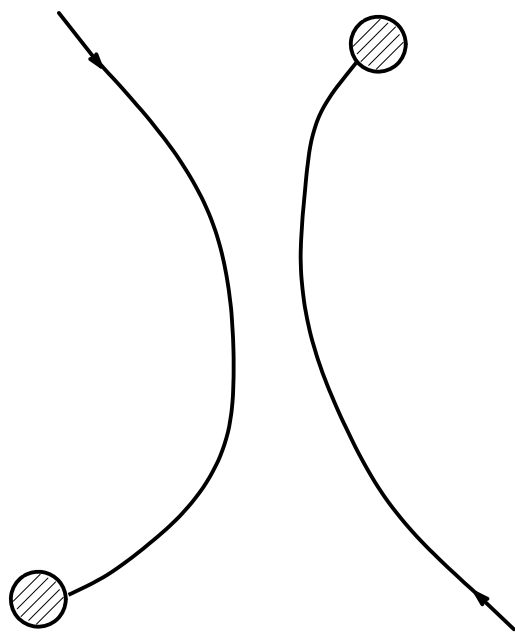
The moduli space is symmetric product: $\mathcal{M}_k = \mathbf{C}^k / \mathfrak{S}_k$.

Samols ('92) The moduli space metric. The right-angle (90 degree) scattering in head-on collisions.

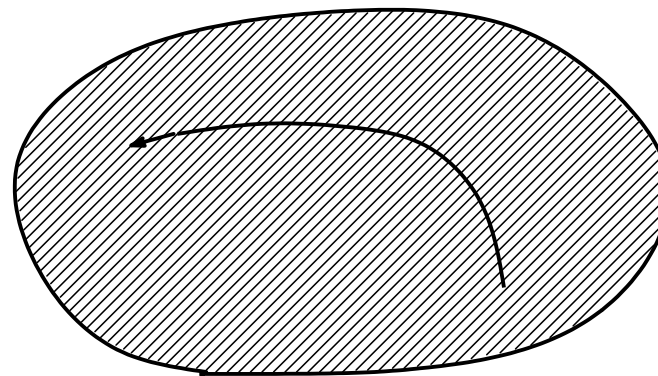
The moduli space \Rightarrow Dynamics

If solitons move slowly there appear force between them.

The moduli space describes classical dynamics of solitons, the scattering of solitons. **The moduli (geodesic, Manton's) approx.**



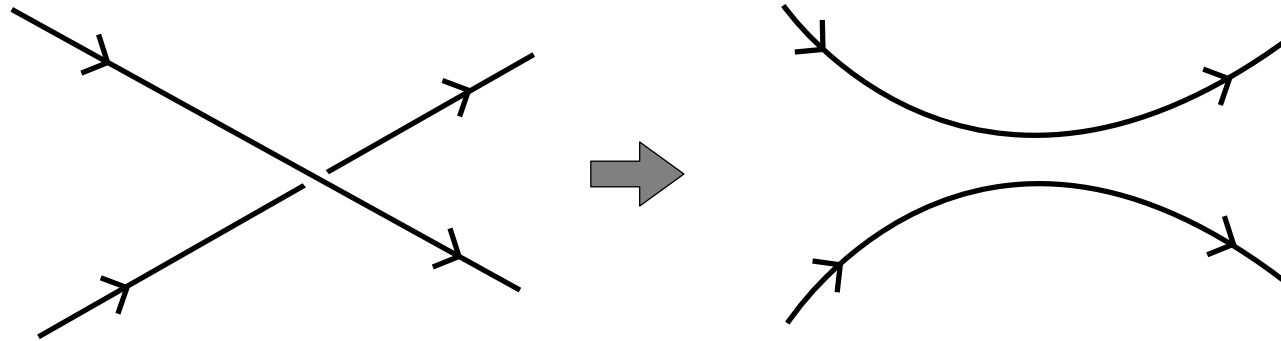
Soliton Scattering



Geodesics in Moduli Space

ex.) For instance, a scattering of two BPS monopoles is described by a geodesic on the Atiyah-Hitchin metric.

Reconnection (intercommutation, recombination) of **vortex-strings** (in $d = 3 + 1$) is very important.



1. Essential process for **(quantum) turbulence** (Kolmogorov law)
2. superconductor, superfluid ^4He .
3. **Cosmic Strings**

When two cosmic strings collide with angle they may **reconnect**.

Reconnection probability P is very important.

$P \sim 1 \implies$ # density of strings is **low**.

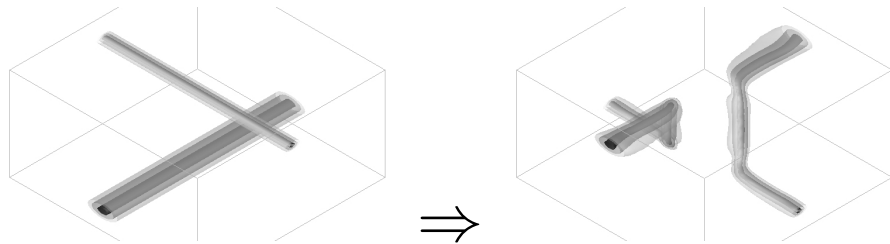
$P \sim 0 \implies$ # density is **high** (contradict to observation).

Many **computer simulations** have been performed:

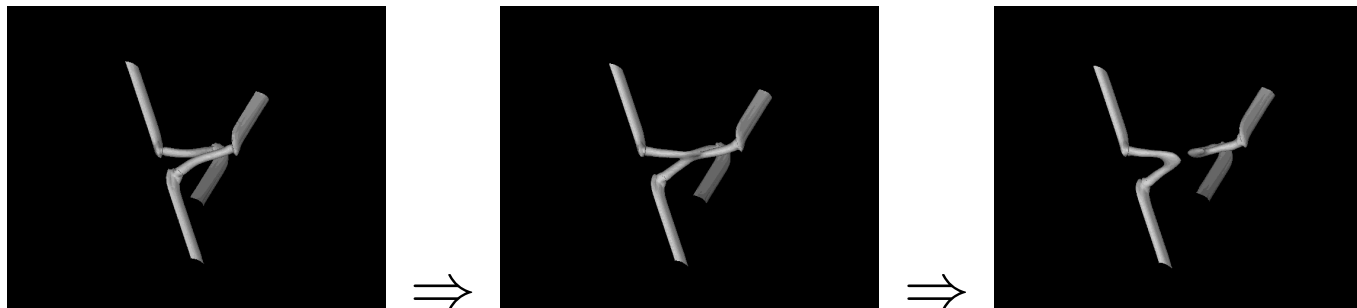
1. **local strings** in the Abelian-Higgs model $P \sim 1$ ('80s)
2. **semi-local strings** $P \sim 1$

Laguna, Natchu, Matzner and Vachaspati, PRL[hep-th/0604177]

Two different sizes vary to coincide with each other.



3. **non-intercommutation** in high speed collision, $P \neq 1$
Achucarro and de Putter, PRD[hep-th/0605084]

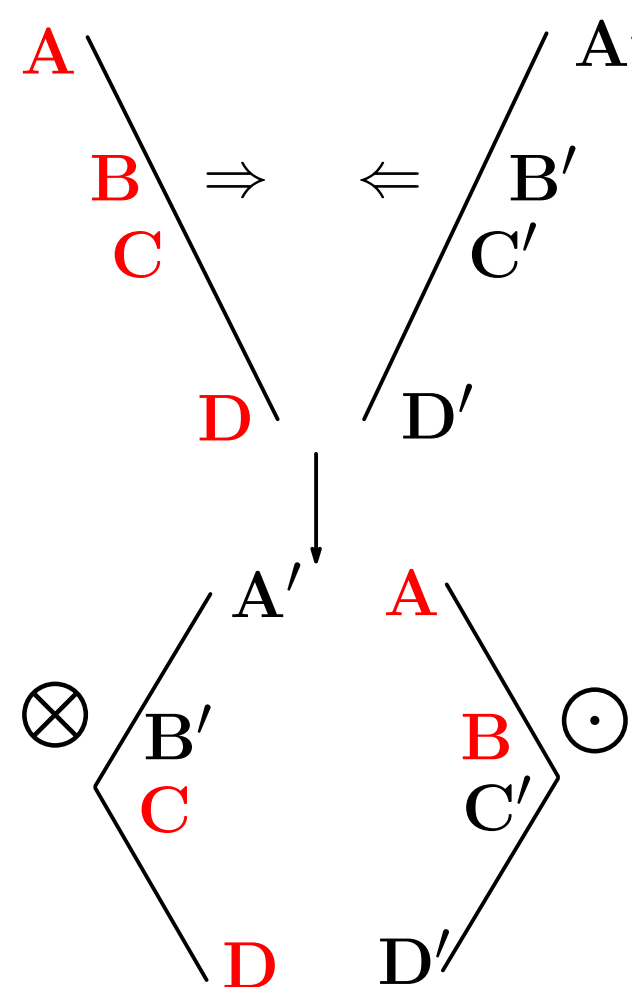
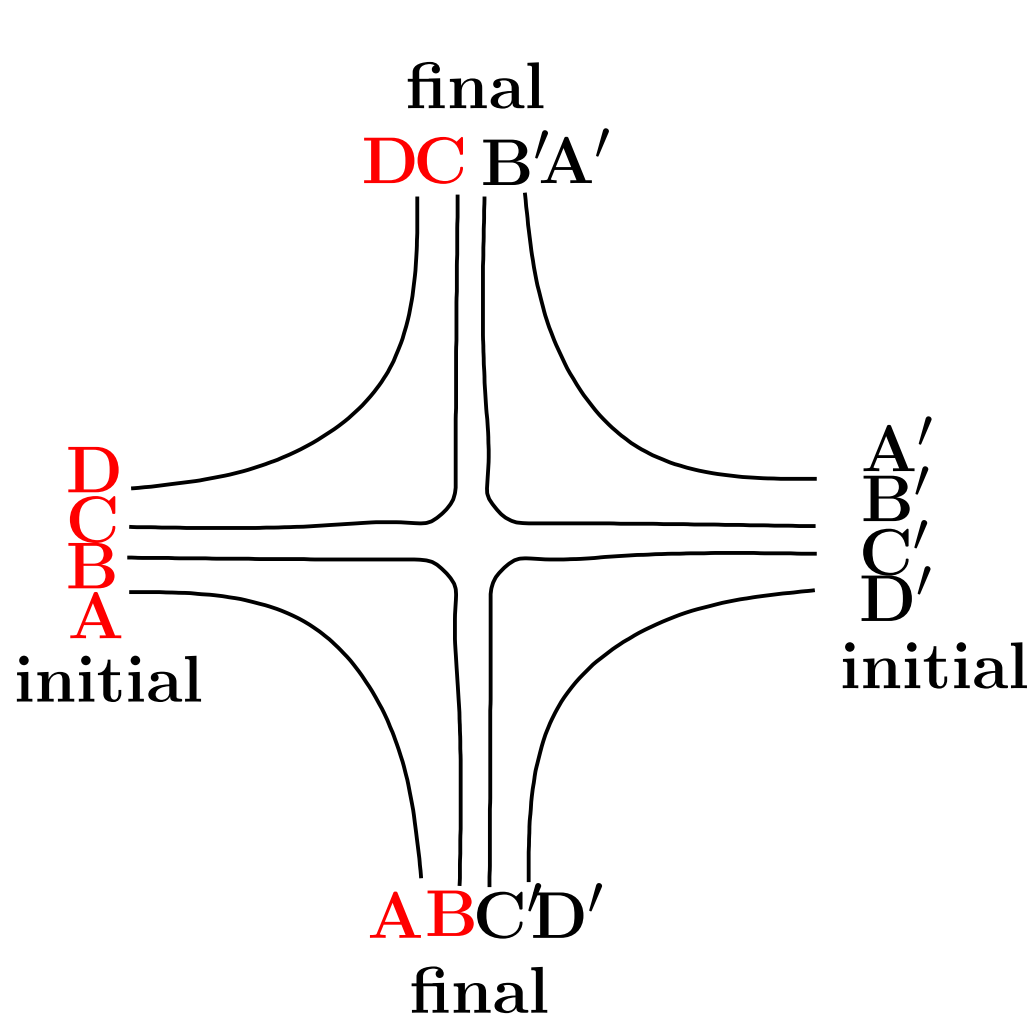


analytical argument

Right angle scattering of vortex-particles in head-on collisions

⇕ Copeland-Turok, Shellard ('88)

Reconnection of vortex-strings



interlude: How “non-Abelian” are non-Abelian vortices??

$$\pi_1(G/H) \simeq \pi_0(H) \quad (5)$$

Different definitions of “non-Abelian” vortices: (3 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 1)

1. **G is non-Abelian**

ex) $G = SU(N)$ with N adjoint Higgs

$$H \simeq \mathbf{Z}_N: \text{Abelian}, \quad \pi_1(G/H) \simeq \mathbf{Z}_N: \text{Abelian}$$

2. **H is non-Abelian** \leftarrow Our definition

3. **$\pi_1(G/H)$ is non-Abelian**

ex1) **biaxial nematics**: $SO(3)$ with 5 (sym.tensor) real Higgs

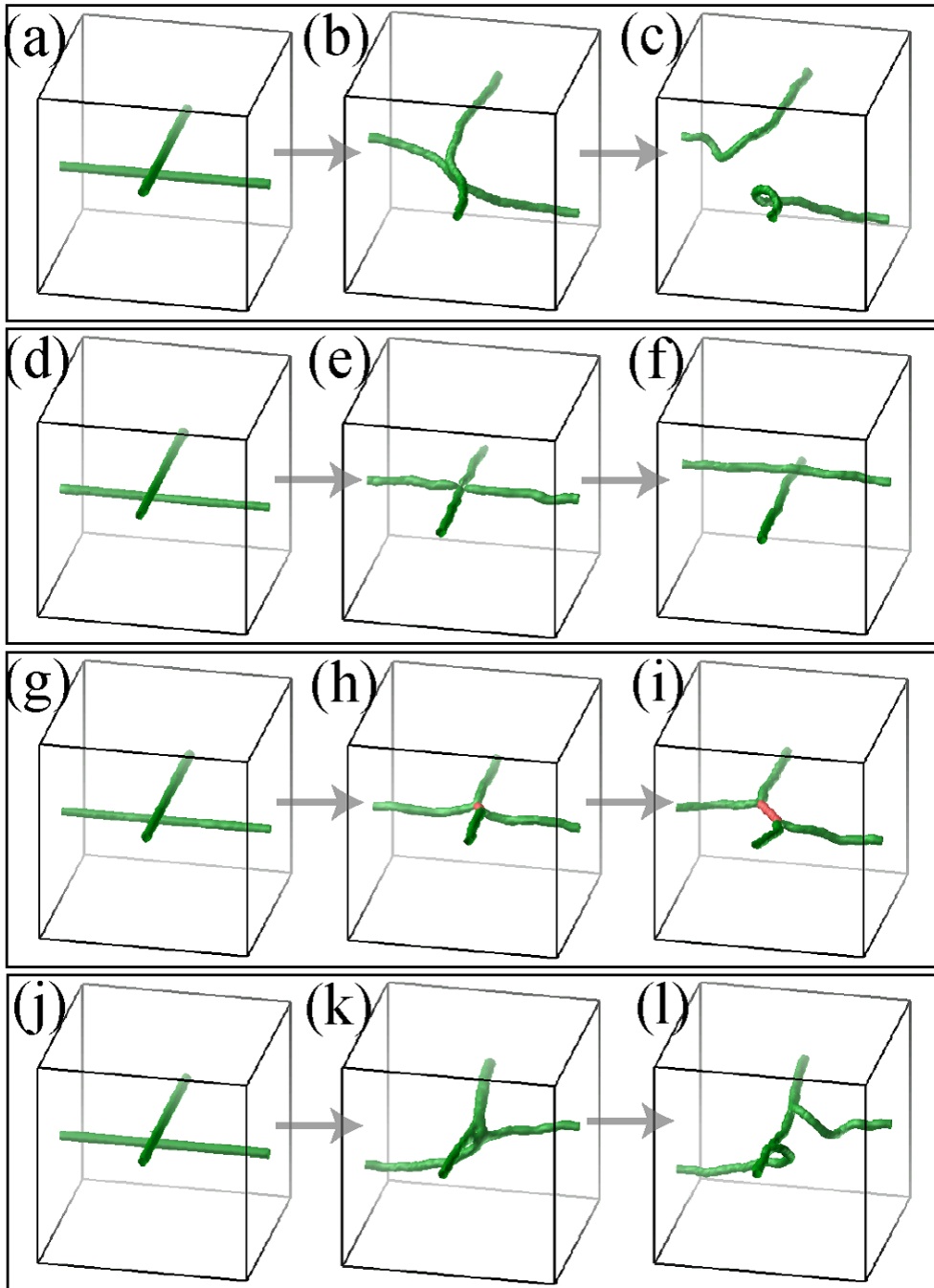
$$SO(3)/\mathbf{K} \simeq SU(2)/\mathbf{Q}_8 \quad (\mathbf{Q}_8: \text{quaternion}), \quad \pi_1 \simeq \mathbf{Q}_8$$

ex2) **spinor BEC** ($F = 2$), cyclic phase:

$SO(3) \times U(1)$ with 5 (sym.tensor) complex Higgs

$$[SO(3) \times U(1)]/T \quad (T: \text{tetrahedral})$$

Kobayashi, Kawaguchi, MN and Ueda [arXiv:0810.5441]

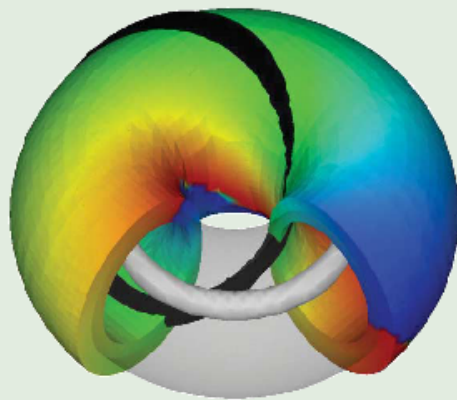


a model for
 (p, q) web of cosmic strings
 Kobayashi, Kawaguchi, MN
 and Ueda [arXiv:0810.5441]

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Knot soliton: $\pi_3(S^2) \simeq \mathbf{Z}$
Kawaguchi, MN and Ueda
PRL [arXiv:0802.1968]

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Plan of My Talk

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§2. Non-Abelian Vortices: Review

The **non-Abelian** extension has been discovered recently.

Hanany-Tong ('03), Konishi et.al ('03)

- Vortices in the color-flavor locking vacuum.
- Each carries a **non-Abelian magnetic flux**.
- It is characterized by **non-Abelian orientational moduli** CP^{N-1}
($U(2)$ gauge $\Rightarrow CP^1 \simeq S^2$: sphere).
- Half properties of Yang-Mills instantons (on a NC R^4).

We call these **non-Abelian vortices**.

The non-Abelian Higgs model (bosonic part of $N = 2$ SUSY)

$U(N)$ gauge theory with N Higgs in the fund. rep. H ($N \times N$):

$$\mathcal{L} = \text{Tr}_{N_C} \left[-\frac{1}{2g^2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \mathcal{D}_\mu H \mathcal{D}^\mu H^\dagger - \frac{g^2}{4} \left(c\mathbf{1}_{N_C} - H H^\dagger \right)^2 \right] \quad (6)$$

$U(N)$ color(local) \times $SU(N)$ flavor(global) symmetry.

$$H \rightarrow g_C(x) H g_F, \quad F_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow g_C(x) F_{\mu\nu} g_C(x)^{-1} \quad (7)$$

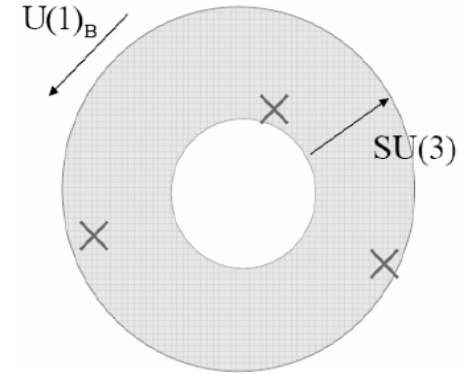
$$g_C(x) \in U(N), \quad g_F \in SU(N) \quad (8)$$

The system is in the **color-flavor locking vacuum**:

$$H = \sqrt{c} \mathbf{1}_N.$$

$$U(N)_C \times SU(N)_F \rightarrow SU(N)_{C+F}$$

OPS :
$$\frac{U(N)_C \times SU(N)_F}{SU(N)_{C+F}} \simeq \frac{U(1) \times SU(N)}{\mathbf{Z}_N}$$



Vortex Equations

The Bogomol'nyi bound for vortices:

$$\mathcal{E} = \int dx^1 dx^2 (\text{r.h.s of BPS eqs.})^2 + T_{\text{vortices}} \quad (9)$$

$$\geq T_{\text{vortices}} = -c \int dz d\bar{z} \text{Tr} F_{12} = 2\pi c k, \quad (10)$$

$$k \in \mathbf{N}_+ = \pi_1[U(N)]. \quad (11)$$

The BPS equations (vortex equations):

$$0 = (\mathcal{D}_1 + i\mathcal{D}_2)H, \quad (12)$$

$$0 = F_{12} + \frac{g^2}{2}(c\mathbf{1}_N - HH^\dagger). \quad (13)$$

cf. The $U(1)$ case ($N = 1$) \rightarrow the ANO vortex eqs.

Moduli space for single vortex Hanany-Tong, Konishi et.al ('03)

We can embed the ANO solution $(F_{12}^{\text{ANO}}, H^{\text{ANO}})$ ($z = x^1 + ix^2$):

$$F_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} F_{12}^{\text{ANO}}(z - z_0) & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H = \begin{pmatrix} H^{\text{ANO}}(z - z_0) & & & \\ & \sqrt{c} & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \sqrt{c} \end{pmatrix} \quad (14)$$

This solution breaks $SU(N)_{\text{C+F}} \rightarrow SU(N-1) \times U(1)$.

The **moduli space** of **Nambu-Goldstone modes**:

$$\mathcal{M}_{N,k=1} = \mathbf{C} \times \frac{SU(N)_{\text{C+F}}}{SU(N-1) \times U(1)} \simeq \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}P^{N-1}. \quad (15)$$

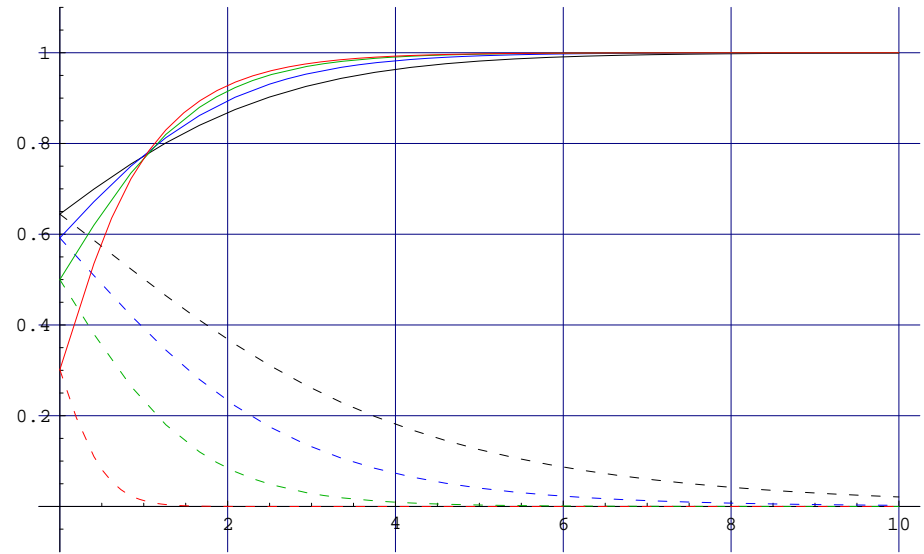
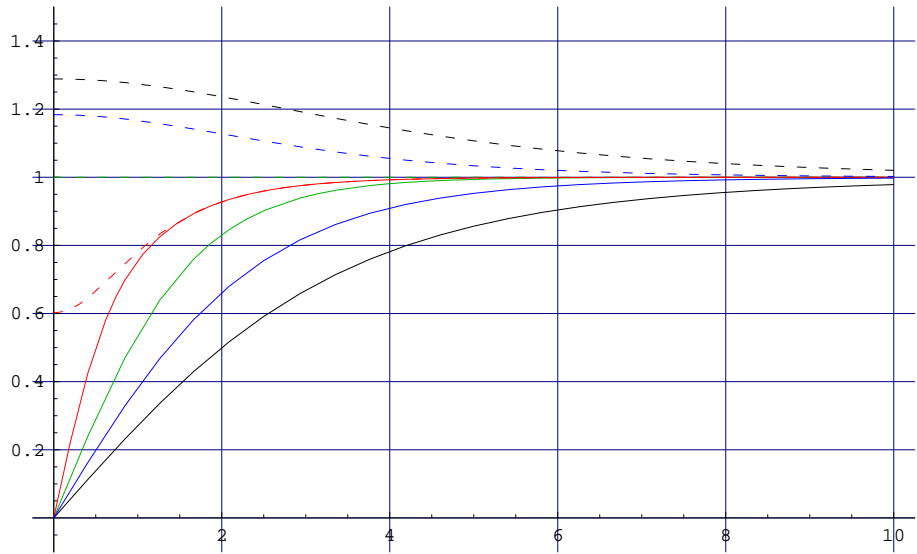
$\uparrow \qquad \qquad \uparrow \qquad \qquad \qquad (\mathbf{C}P^1 \simeq S^2)$
translational internal symmetry

These are **normalizable modes** (= localized around the vortex).

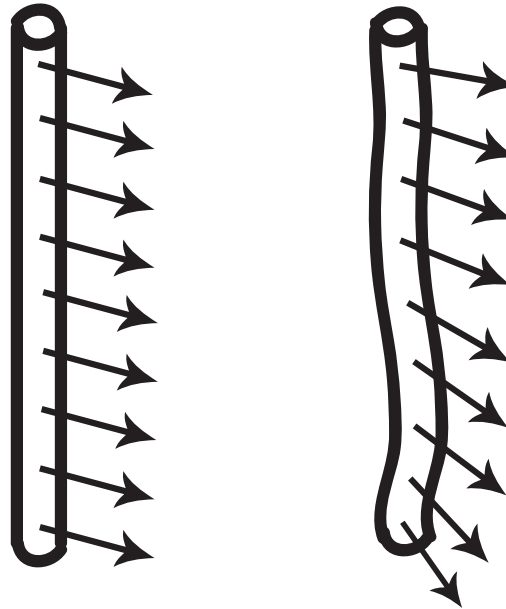
$$(F_{12}^{\text{ANO}}, H^{\text{ANO}}) \rightarrow (0, \sqrt{c}) \text{ as } z \rightarrow \infty$$

No more moduli: $\dim_{\mathbf{C}} \mathcal{M}_{N,k=1} = N$ from **the index theorem**.

interlude: When gauge couplings for $U(1)$ and $SU(N)$ are different, it's not just an embedding of the ANO solution.



The effective theory is the CP^{N-1} model.



“vacuum state”

fluctuation of zero modes

1. It carries a flux of a linear combination of $U(1)$ and one generator T of $SU(N)_C$, which is **recovered** inside the vortex core. $SU(N-1)_C$ is still **locked** with $SU(N-1)_F \subset SU(N)_F$.
2. Choice of **recovering** $U(1)$ $\iff_{1:1}$ a point at CP^{N-1} .
3. The **tension** of $k = 1$ vortex is $1/N$ of **ANO**.

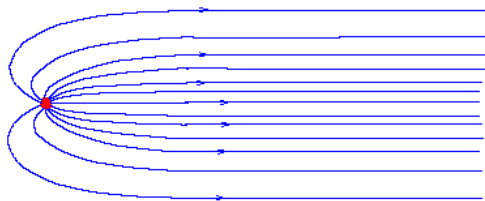
Motivation of the Konishi group

extension of Seiberg-Witten to non-Abelian duality

Goddard-Nuyts-Olive-Weinberg (GNOW, Langrands) duality

But, NA monopoles have a problem of **non-normalizable moduli**.

⇒ **NA monopole confined by NA vortices**

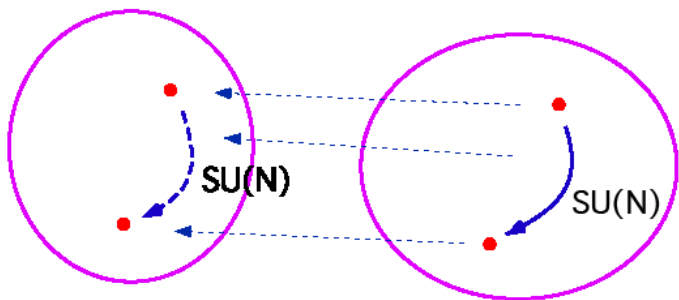


Monopole Moduli

Vortex Moduli
~ CP^{N-1}

GNOW dual \tilde{G}

G	$SO(2M)$	$USp(2M)$	$SO(2M + 1)$
\tilde{G}	$SO(2M)$	$SO(2M + 1)$	$USp(2M)$



$$\Pi_2(G/H) \sim \Pi_1(H)$$

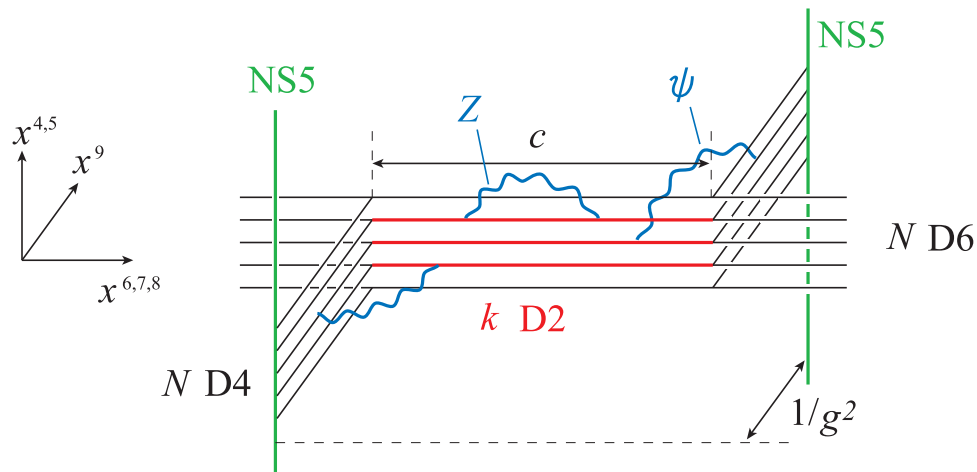
1. Multiple-vortex moduli space $\mathcal{M}_{N,k}$??
2. Multi-vortex solution??



- String Theory (**D-brane construction**)
→ **Kähler quotient** (“half ADHM”) **Hanany-Tong ('03)**
only moduli space topology, nothing about solutions
- **The Moduli Matrix Approach** **TITech ('05, '06-)**
Solutions. Moduli space with *the metric*.
Dynamics(Scattering of vortices/reconnection of strings) .

D-brane construction of vortices

Hanany-Tong ('03)



$d = 4$ theory

2 NS5 : 012345

N D6 : 0123 678

N D4 : 0123 9

vortices

k D2 : 0 3 8

$\mathcal{M}_{N,k} =$ Higgs branch of $U(k)$ gauge theory on k D2's
(**Kähler quotient**):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{N,k}^{\text{ST}} &= \left\{ Z, \Psi \mid \pi c [Z^\dagger, Z] + \Psi^\dagger \Psi = \frac{4\pi}{g^2} 1_k \right\} / U(k) \\ &\simeq \left\{ Z, \Psi \right\} // GL(k, \mathbb{C}) \end{aligned}$$

with Z adjoint ($k \times k$) and Ψ fundamental ($N \times k$).

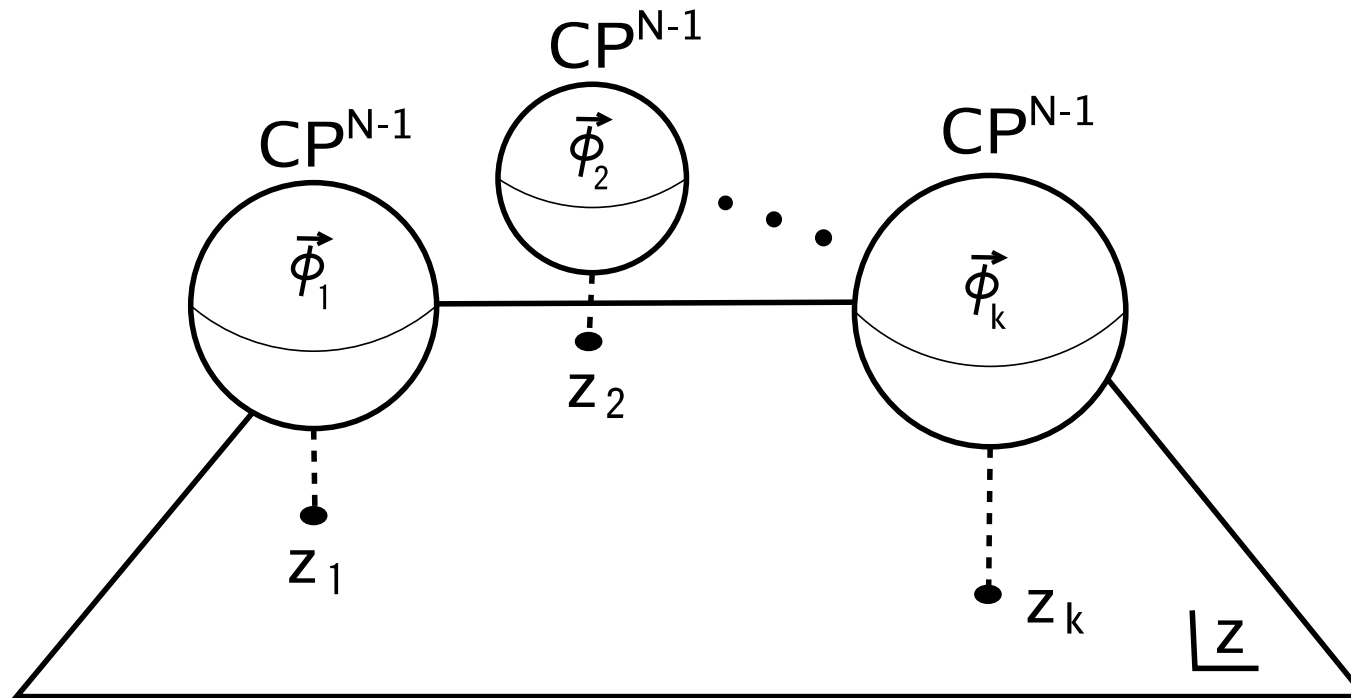
“**Half ADHM**”

Full k -vortex moduli space in $U(N)$ gauge theory:

TiTech group (moduli matrix formalism): PRL [hep-th/0511088]

$$\mathcal{M}_{N,k} \leftarrow \left(\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}P^{N-1} \right)^k / \mathfrak{S}_k \quad (16)$$

full space separated = symmetric product
 smooth **very singular** (“ \leftarrow ” = resolution of sing.)



For Abelian (ANO) $N = 1$, $\mathcal{M}_{N=1,k} \simeq \mathbf{C}^k / \mathfrak{S}_k$.

1. How are the orbifold singularities resolved in $\mathcal{M}_{N,k}$??
2. How do NA vortices collide?



The moduli matrix provides all necessary tools.

interlude

Separated k -instantons in $U(N)$ gauge theory on NC \mathbb{R}^4 :

$$\mathcal{I}_{N,k} \leftarrow \left(\mathbb{C}^2 \times T^* \mathbb{C}P^{N-1} \right)^k / \mathfrak{S}_k \quad (17)$$

full space separated = symmetric product
smooth **very singular**

NC instantons: “Hilbert scheme” (H.Nakajima)

Confined Monopoles Tong('03), Shifman-Yung('04)

The Bogomol'nyi bound (Higgs H masses, and adj. Higgs Σ introduced)

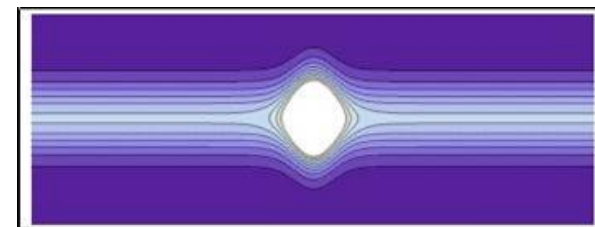
$$\mathcal{H} \geq \underbrace{\text{tr}[\partial_3(c\Sigma)]}_{\text{walls}} - \underbrace{\text{ctr}[B_3]}_{\text{vortices}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{g^2}\text{tr}[\partial_a(\Sigma B_a)]}_{\text{monopoles}}, \quad B_a \equiv \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{abc}F_{bc}$$

1/4 BPS equations

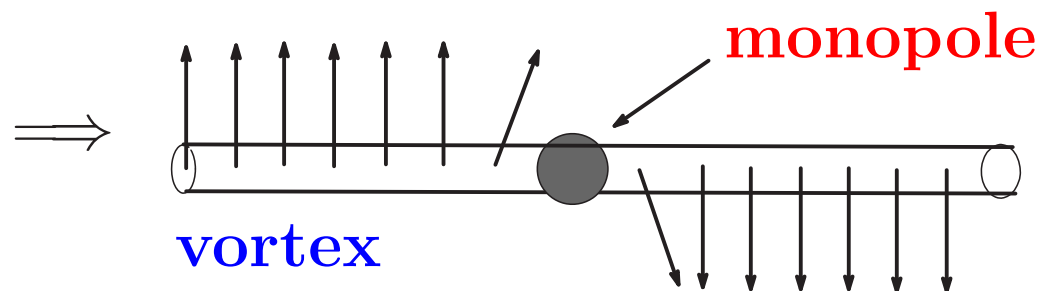
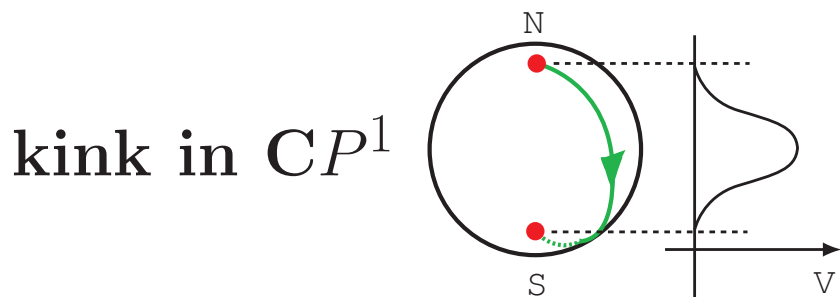
$$0 = (\mathcal{D}_3 + \Sigma) H + HM, \quad 0 = (\mathcal{D}_1 + i\mathcal{D}_2) H \quad (18)$$

$$0 = B_3 - \mathcal{D}_3\Sigma + \frac{g^2}{2}(c - HH^\dagger) \quad (19)$$

$$0 = F_{23} - \mathcal{D}_1\Sigma = F_{31} - \mathcal{D}_2\Sigma \quad (20)$$



a numerical solution



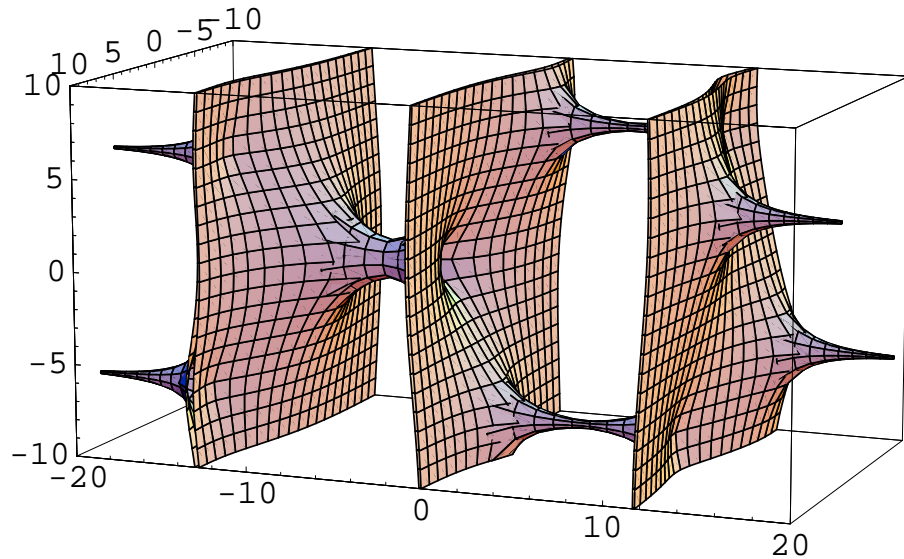
Composite Solitons

TITech PRD[hep-th/0405129]

domain wall+vortex

“*D-brane soliton*”

exact(analytic) solution

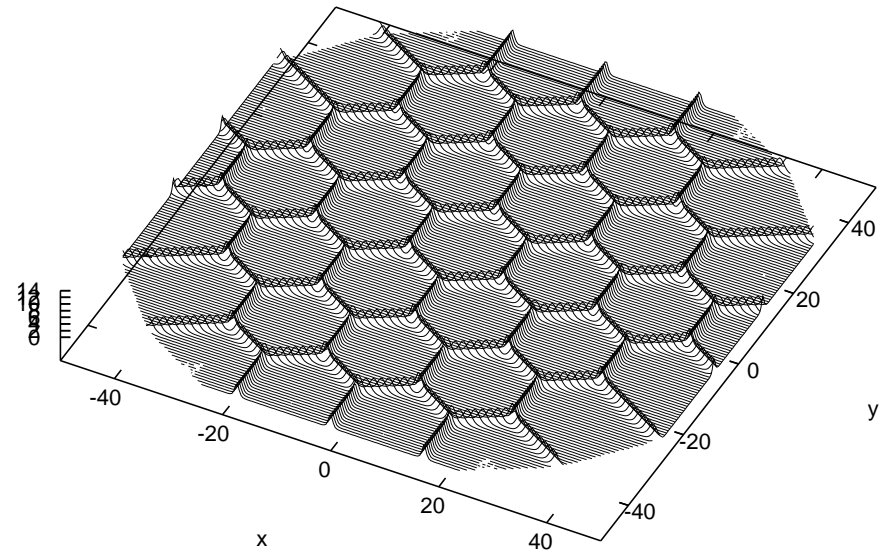


resembling with D-brane in
superstring theory.

TITech PRD[hep-th/0506135]

Domain wall network

exact(analytic) solution



interlude: Vortex Eqs. in Higher Dim. PRD [hep-th/0412048]

$d = 4 + 1$ $U(N_C)$ with N_F fund Higgs

The Bogomol'nyi bound

$$\mathcal{E} \geq \text{tr} \left[\underbrace{-c(F_{13} + F_{24})}_{\text{vortices}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2g^2} F_{mn} \tilde{F}_{mn}}_{\text{instantons}} \right], \quad (21)$$

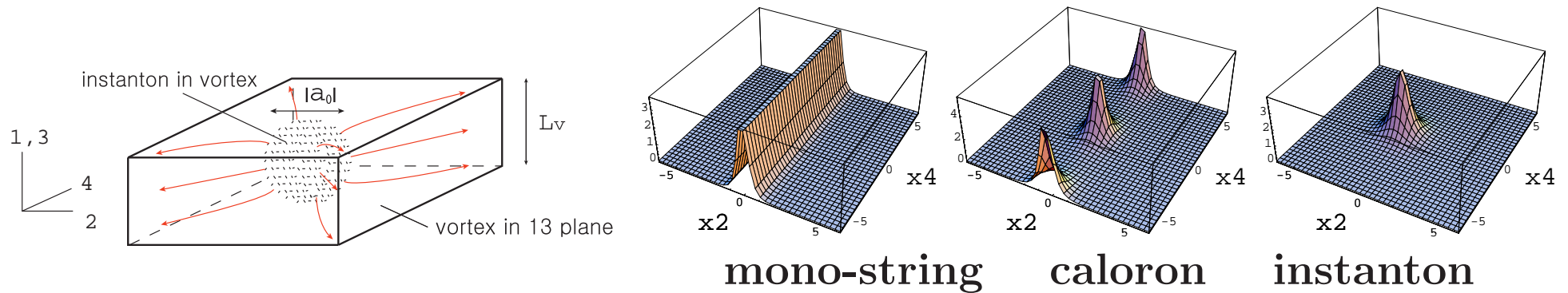
1/4 BPS equations (W_M : gauge fields)

$$\begin{aligned} F_{12} = F_{34}, \quad F_{23} = F_{14}, \quad F_{13} + F_{24} = -\frac{g^2}{2} [c\mathbf{1}_{N_C} - HH^\dagger] \\ \bar{D}_z H = 0, \quad \bar{D}_w H = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

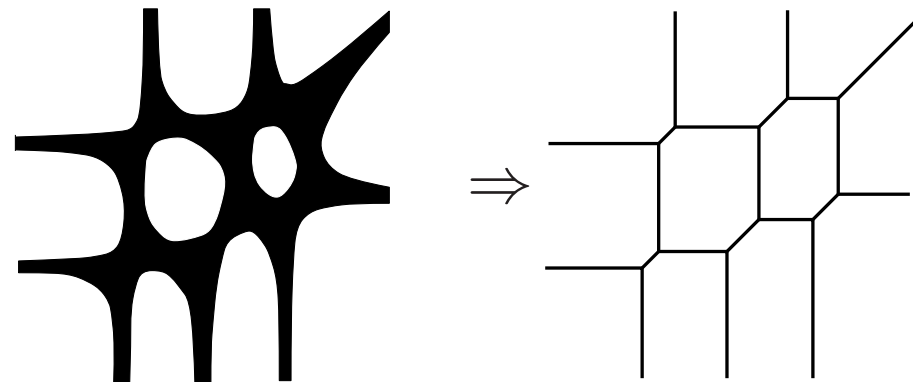
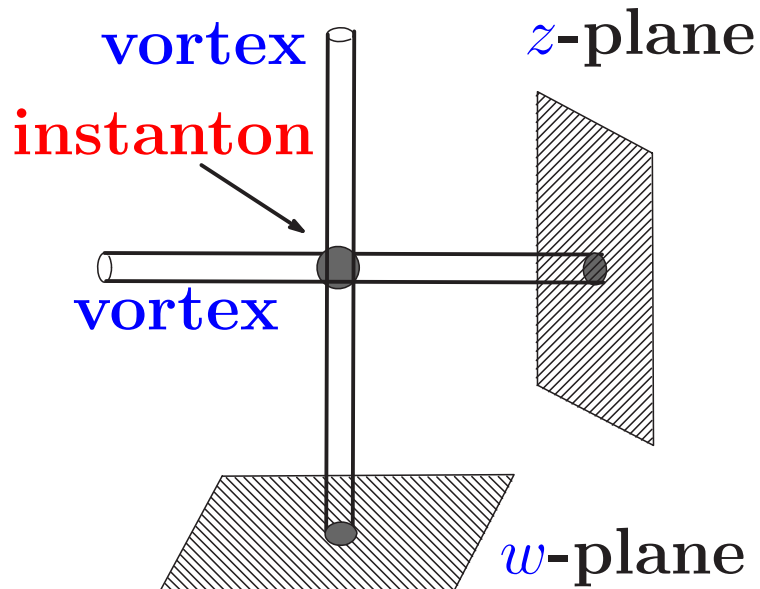
- Set $c = 0$, $H = 0 \Rightarrow$ The **SDYM** eq. for **instantons**
- Ignore x^2, x^4 dep. and W_2 and $W_4 \Rightarrow$ **vortices** in $z = x^1 + ix^3$.
- Ignore x^1, x^3 dep. and W_1 and $W_3 \Rightarrow$ **vortices** in $w = x^2 + ix^4$.
- Related to $d = 6$ **Donaldson-Uhlenbeck-Yau Eqs.** at least in the case of $U(1)$ gauge th. by S^2 equivariant dim. red. (Comm. with A.D.Popov.)

Instantons + (Intersecting) Vortices PRD [hep-th/0412048]

trapped instantons = lumps (CP^1 instantons) in vortex th.



Intersecting vortex-membranes with **negative instanton charge**



Amoeba \Rightarrow tropical geometry
 K.Ohta-Yamazaki + TiTech,
 PRD [arXiv:0805.1194]

interlude: Classification of All BPS eqs NPB [hep-th/0506257]

$d = 5 + 1$: only **vortices** and **instantons** are allowed.

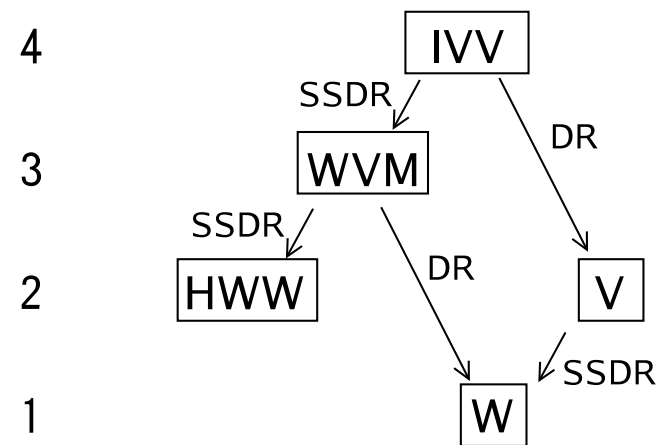
$1/4$ BPS	IVV	0	1	2	3	4	5
Instanton		○	×	×	×	×	○
Vortex		○	×	×	○	○	○
Vortex		○	○	○	×	×	○

$1/4$ BPS	VVV	0	1	2	3	4	5
Vortex		○	○	×	×	○	○
Vortex		○	×	○	×	○	○
Vortex		○	×	×	○	○	○

$1/8$ BPS	IV ⁶	0	1	2	3	4	5
Instanton		○	×	×	×	×	○
Vortex		○	○	×	×	○	○
Vortex		○	×	○	×	○	○
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Vortex		○	○	×	○	×	○
Vortex		○	○	○	×	×	○

Dimensional Reduction

codim.



The left $1/4$ BPS eqs. give previously known BPS eqs. in $d \leq 5$ by dim. reductions. **Others are all new!**

interlude: Similar non-Abelian vortices in hadron physics

high baryon density QCD (**color superconductor**)

$$\Phi_{\alpha i} \sim \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}\epsilon_{ijk}\langle q_j^T C\gamma_5 q_k^\gamma \rangle \sim v\mathbf{1}_3$$

$$U(1)_B \times SU(3)_C \times SU(3)_F \rightarrow SU(3)_{C+F} \quad \text{Alford-Rajagopal-Wilczek ('99)}$$

1. **NA vortices** Balachandran, Digal and Matsuura ('05)

(a) $U(1)_B$ is *global*: superfluid vortex (log div etc)

(b) **non-Abelian magnetic flux**

2. **CP^2 orientation, long range repulsive force, lattice**

Nakano, MN and Matsuura, PRD [arXiv:0708.4096 [hep-ph]]

3. The core of **neutron (or quark) stars**

Sedrakian, Blaschke *et al* [arXiv:0810.3003 [hep-ph]]

interlude: Non-Abelian global vortices

1. high temperature QCD (**chiral phase transition**)

$$\boxed{U(1)_A \times SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \rightarrow SU(3)_{L+R}} \quad (\leftarrow \text{all global symmetry})$$

Balachandran and Digi (’02), MN and Shiiki (’07)

CP^2 -dependent repulsion

Nakano, MN and Matsuura, PLB [arXiv:0708.4092 [hep-ph]]

2. superfluid of ^3He in the B-phase

$$\boxed{U(1)_\Phi \times SO(3)_S \times SO(3)_L \rightarrow SO(3)_{S+L}} \quad (\text{See Volovik's book})$$

$$\frac{G}{H} = \frac{U(1)_\Phi \times SO(3)_S \times SO(3)_L}{SO(3)_{S+L}} \simeq SO(3) \times U(1) \quad (23)$$

$$\pi_1(G/H) = \mathbf{Z} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_2 \quad (24)$$

§3 Moduli Matrix Formalism

PRL[hep-th/0511088], J.Phys.A [hep-th/0602170]

Solving the **vortex eqs**: $0 = (\mathcal{D}_1 + i\mathcal{D}_2)H$, $0 = F_{12} + \frac{g^2}{2}(c\mathbf{1}_N - HH^\dagger)$.

The **1st** eq. can be solved: ($z \equiv x^1 + ix^2$)

$$H = S^{-1}H_0(z), \quad A_1 + iA_2 = -i2S^{-1}\bar{\partial}_z S, \quad (25)$$

$$S = S(z, \bar{z}) \in GL(N_C, \mathbf{C}). \quad (26)$$

The **2nd** eq. \Rightarrow $\partial_z(\Omega^{-1}\bar{\partial}_z\Omega) = \frac{g^2}{4}(c\mathbf{1}_{N_C} - \Omega^{-1}H_0H_0^\dagger), \quad (27)$

$$\Omega(z, \bar{z}) \equiv S(z, \bar{z})S^\dagger(z, \bar{z}) \quad (28)$$

The V -transformations [$V(z) \in GL(N_C, \mathbf{C})$ for $\forall z \in \mathbf{C}$]:

$$H_0(z) \rightarrow H'_0(z) = V(z)H_0(z), \quad S(z, \bar{z}) \rightarrow S'(z, \bar{z}) = V(z)S(z, \bar{z}), \quad (29)$$

$H_0(z)$: the moduli matrix, **(27): the master equation.**

For $U(1)$ ($N = 1$) the master eq. \rightarrow **the Taubes equation:**

by $c\Omega(z, \bar{z}) = |H_0|^2 e^{-\xi(z, \bar{z})}$ with $H_0 = \prod_i (z - z_i)$.

The equation admits the unique solution. Taubes ('80)

We assume that **the master equation admits the unique solution.** This

- is consistent with **the index theorem (Hanany-Tong)**,
- was rigorously proven for vortices in arbitrary gauge group on compact Riemann surfaces. **(the Hitchin-Kobayashi correspondence).**

Mundet i reira, Cieliebak-Gaiotto-Salamon ('00)

- has been checked for our $U(N)$ vortices on compact Riemann surfaces.
Baptista ('08: arXiv:0810.3220 [hep-th])

All moduli parameters are encoded in $H_0(z)$

interlude: Non-integrability of the master eq., **Inami-Minakami-MN('06)**

“half integrability” \rightarrow half integrable hierarchy?

The conditions on H_0 for **vortex number** k :

$$k = \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Im} \oint dz \partial \log(\det H_0). \quad (30)$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(H_0) \sim z^k \quad (\text{for } z \rightarrow \infty) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \det H_0(z) = \prod_{i=1}^k (z - z_i), \quad (31)$$

The moduli space of k -vortices in $U(N)$ gauge theory:

$$\mathcal{M}_{N,k} = \frac{\{H_0(z) | \deg(\det(H_0(z))) = k\}}{\{V(z) | \det V(z) = 1\}} \quad (32)$$

This is equivalent to one obtained in string theory:

[PRL\[hep-th/0511088\]](#), [J.Phys.A \[hep-th/0602170\]](#)

$$\mathcal{M}_{N,k} \simeq \{Z, \Psi\} // GL(k, \mathbb{C})$$

Z adjoint ($k \times k$) and Ψ fundamental ($N \times k$)

Caution: This is topologically correct. The flat metric on Z, ψ does not give correct metric on the moduli space.

$U(2), k = 1$ (single vortex in $U(2)$ gauge theory):

$$\mathcal{M}_{N=2,k=1} \simeq \mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}P^1 \quad (33)$$

The moduli matrices for $\mathcal{M}_{N=2,k=1}$:

$$H_0^{(1,0)}(z) = \begin{pmatrix} z - z_0 & 0 \\ -b' & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad H_0^{(0,1)}(z) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -b \\ 0 & z - z_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (34)$$

z_0 : vortex position on z . ($\det H_0 = z - z_0$)
 b, b' : vortex orientation $\mathbf{C}P^1$.

In general, a **V-tr.** gives transition functions:

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1/b' \\ b' & z - z_0 \end{pmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbf{C}) \rightarrow b = 1/b'. \quad (35)$$

$U(2), k = 2$ (2-vortices in $U(2)$ gauge) PRD [hep-th/0607070]

$$\mathcal{M}_{N=2,k=2} \leftarrow (\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}P^1)^2 / \mathfrak{S}_2 \quad (36)$$

general $k = 2$, $\det H_0 \sim z^2 \Rightarrow$ coincident $k = 2$, $\det H_0 = z^2$

$$\mathcal{M}_{N=2,k=2} \supset W\mathbf{C}P^2_{(2,1,1)} \simeq \mathbf{C}P^2 / \mathbf{Z}_2$$

$$H_0^{(2,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} z^2 - \alpha' z - \beta' & 0 \\ -a' z - b' & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_0^{(1,1)} = \begin{pmatrix} z - \phi & -\eta \\ -\tilde{\eta} & z - \tilde{\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H_0^{(0,2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -a z - b \\ 0 & z^2 - \alpha z - \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

three patches $\mathcal{U}^{(2,0)} = \{a', b', \alpha', \beta'\}$
 $\mathcal{U}^{(1,1)} = \{\phi, \tilde{\phi}, \eta, \tilde{\eta}\}$, $\mathcal{U}^{(0,2)} = \{a, b, \alpha, \beta\}$.

$$\tilde{H}_0^{(2,0)} = \begin{pmatrix} z^2 & 0 \\ -a' z - b' & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

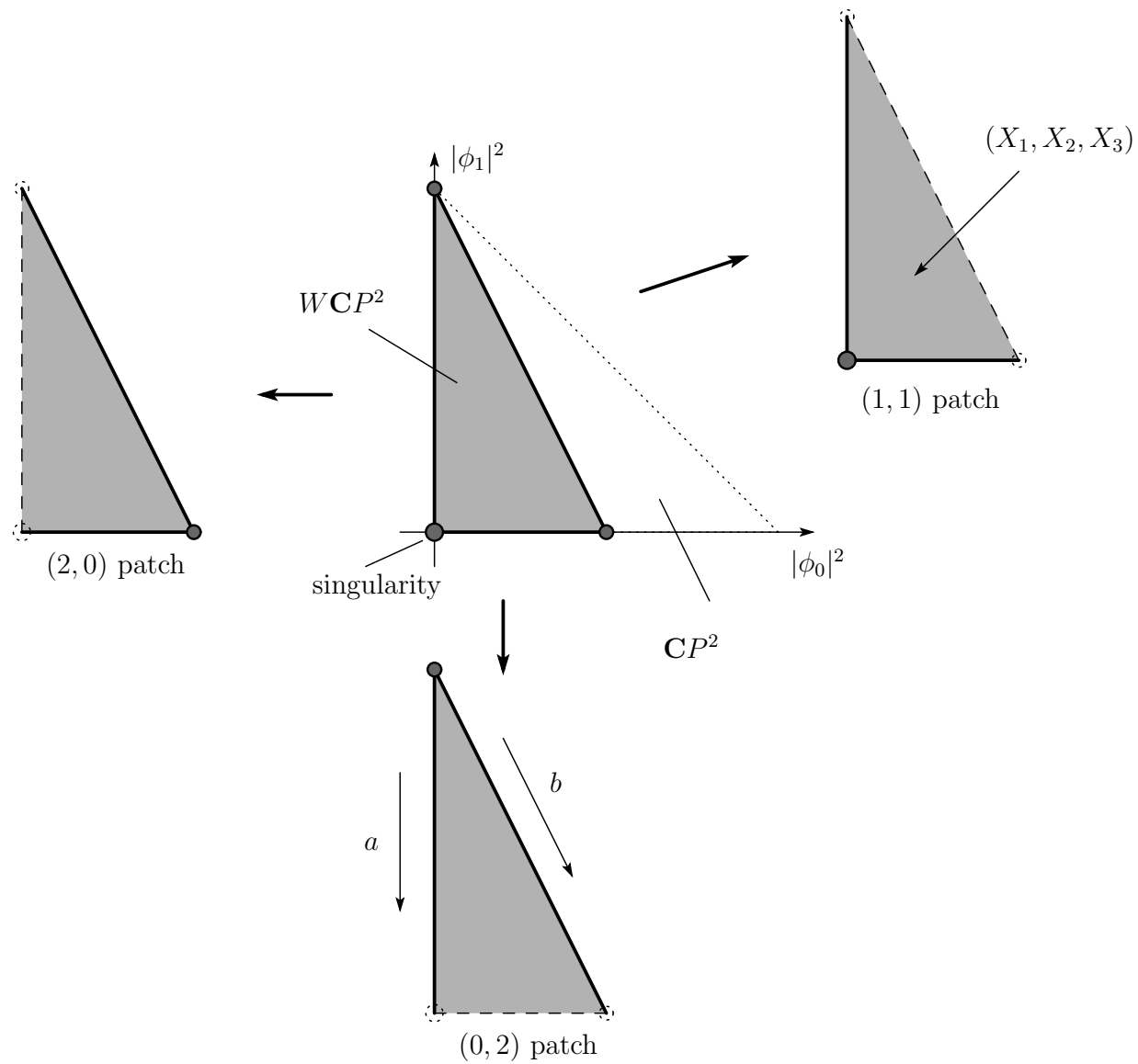
$$\tilde{H}_0^{(1,1)} = \begin{pmatrix} z - \phi & -\eta \\ -\tilde{\eta} & z + \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\phi^2 + \eta \tilde{\eta} = 0$,

$$\tilde{H}_0^{(0,2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -a z - b \\ 0 & z^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$XY \equiv -\phi$, $X^2 \equiv \eta$, $Y^2 \equiv -\tilde{\eta}$

$(X, Y) \sim (-X, -Y)$ \mathbf{Z}_2 sing



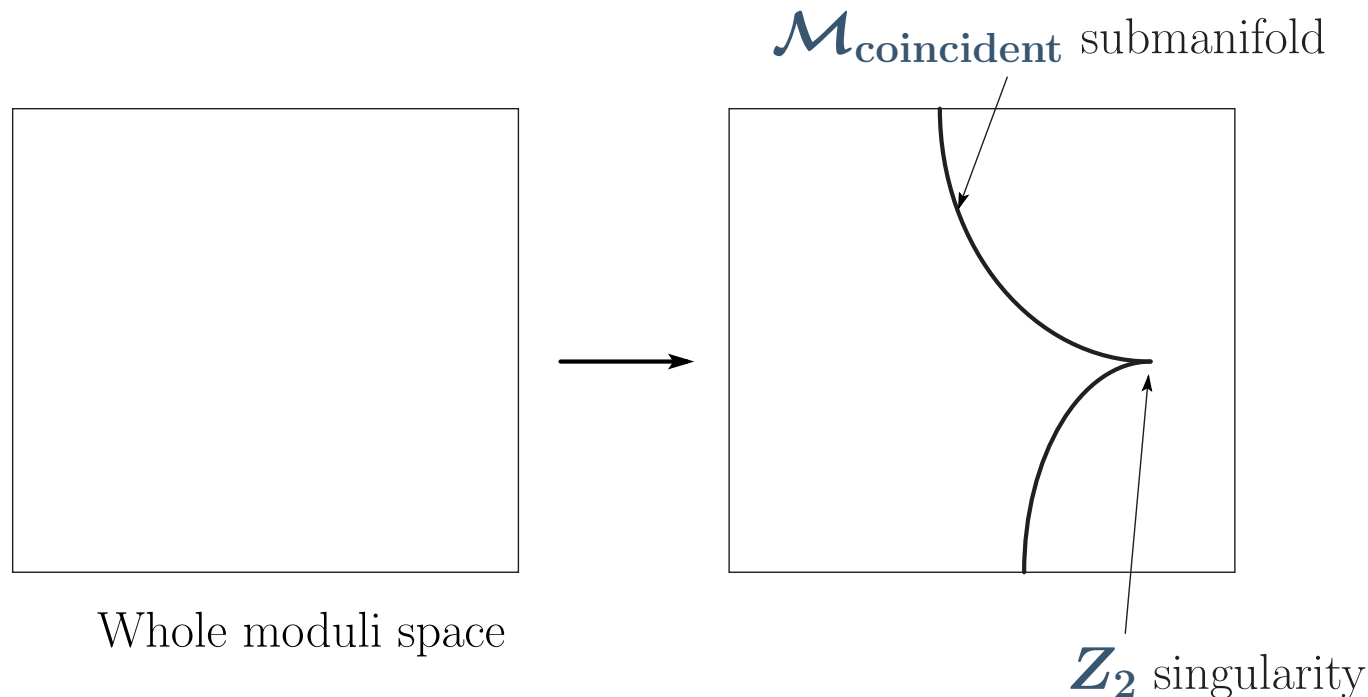
$$\tilde{u}^{(2,0)} \simeq \mathbf{C}^2, \quad \tilde{u}^{(1,1)} \simeq \mathbf{C}^2/\mathbf{Z}_2, \quad \tilde{u}^{(0,2)} \simeq \mathbf{C}^2.$$

Solving the master eq. at the \mathbf{Z}_2 sing. [PRL \[hep-th/0609214\]](#)

$$K = 2\pi c(|\phi|^2 + |\tilde{\phi}|^2 + |\eta|^2 + |\tilde{\eta}|^2) + \text{higher} \implies \text{smooth} \quad (37)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{N=2,k=2} \simeq \left(\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{C}P^1 \right)^2 / \mathfrak{S}_2 \quad \cup \quad \mathbf{C} \times W\mathbf{C}P^2_{(2,1,1)} \quad (38)$$

\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow
smooth very singular \mathbf{Z}_2 singular



interlude: [Kähler metric of vortex eff.th. PRD \[hep-th/0602289\]](#)

general formula for the Kähler potential

$$K = \underbrace{\int d^2z}_{\text{integral over codim}} \text{Tr} \left[-2c\mathbf{V} + e^{2\mathbf{V}} \mathbf{H}_0 \mathbf{H}_0^\dagger + \underbrace{\frac{16}{g^2} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^x dy \bar{\partial} \mathbf{V} e^{2yL\mathbf{V}} \partial \mathbf{V}}_{\text{WZ-like term}} \right], (39)$$

Elimination of \mathbf{V} gives the result.

- **infinite dimensional** Kähler quotient $\mathbf{V}(x, \theta, \bar{\theta})$
- EOM of \mathbf{V} = the master equation (**miracle**)

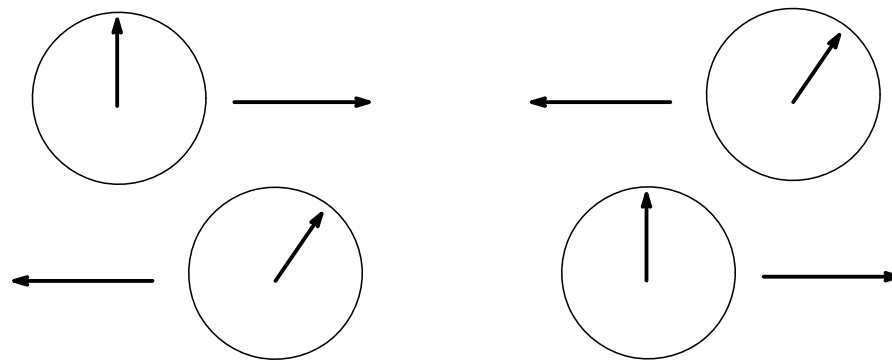
The Kähler metric

$$\begin{aligned} & \delta^{\dagger\mu} \delta_\mu K \Big|_{\Omega=\Omega_{\text{sol}}} \\ &= \int d^2z \text{Tr} \left[\delta^{\dagger\mu} \delta_\mu c \log \Omega \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{4}{g^2} \left\{ \partial \left(\delta^\mu \Omega \Omega^{-1} \right) \delta_\mu^\dagger \left(\bar{\partial} \Omega \Omega^{-1} \right) - \partial \left(\bar{\partial} \Omega \Omega^{-1} \right) \delta_\mu^\dagger \left(\delta^\mu \Omega \Omega^{-1} \right) \right\} \right] \Big|_{\Omega=\Omega_{\text{sol}}} \quad (40) \end{aligned}$$

Dynamics (Scattering/Reconnection) PRL [hep-th/0609214]

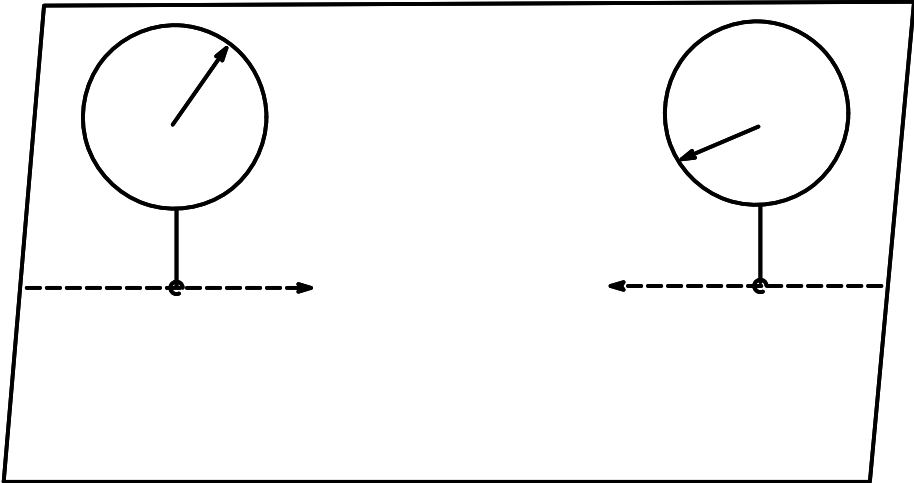
1. Do they **pass through** or **scatter at right angles**, when two vortices collide in head-on collisions??
2. What are roles of orientation moduli?

1. When two **orientations** are **aligned** (\sim **Abelian** case).
 \Rightarrow they would **scatter at right angles**
2. When two **orientations** are **not aligned**
 \Rightarrow they would **pass through**

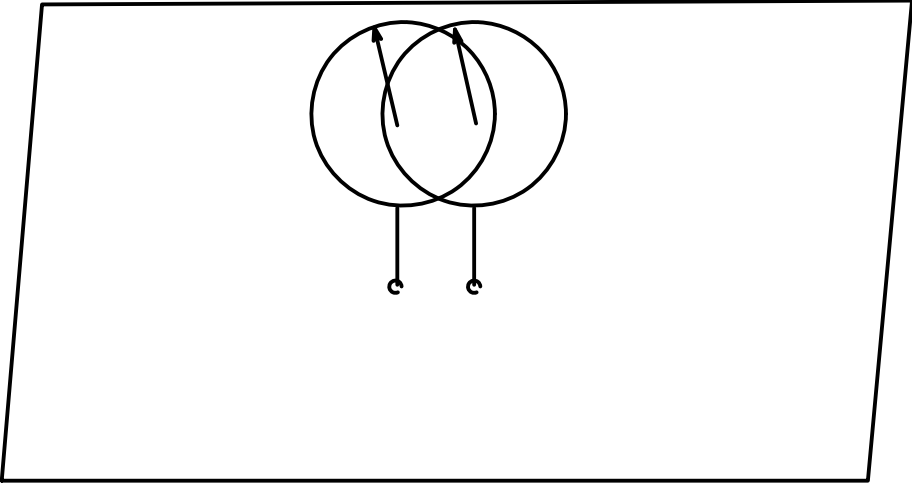


Naively thinking, the 2nd occurs for generic initial cond.

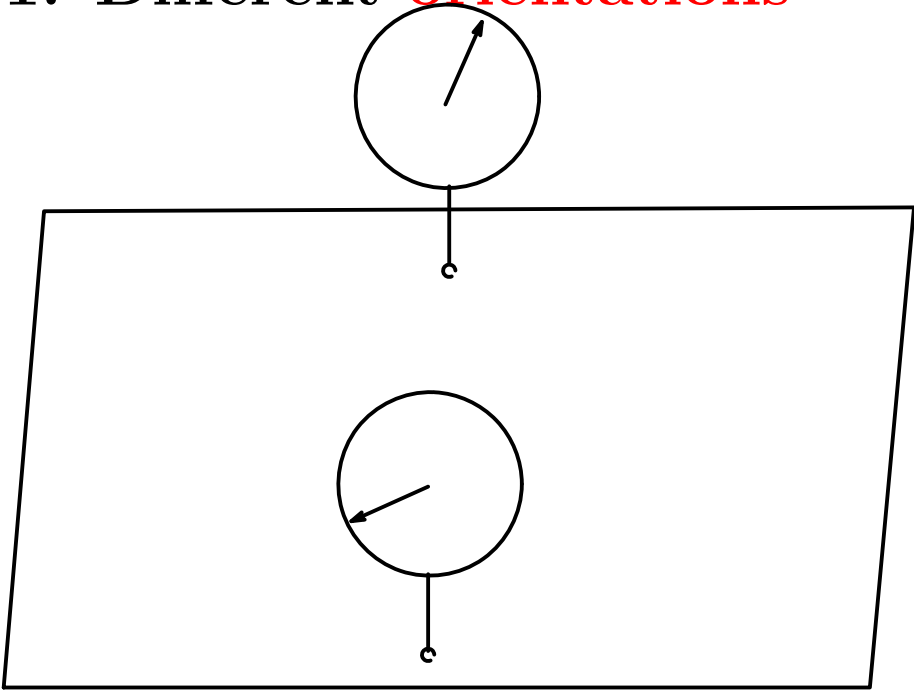
Approximate **geodesics** by **straight lines linearly** before and after the collision moment $t = 0$. A **short time** behavior is OK (a **long time** is difficult).



1. Different **orientations**



2. **Orientations** become **parallel** in the **collision**.



3. Scatter with **right angle!!**

The (0,2) patch:

$$H_0^{(0,2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -az - b \\ 0 & z^2 - \alpha z - \beta \end{pmatrix}. \quad (41)$$

Free motion:

$$a = a_0 + \epsilon_1 t + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad b = b_0 + \epsilon_2 t + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad (42)$$

$$\alpha = 0 + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad \beta = \epsilon_3 t + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad (43)$$

Relations to positions z_i , orientations b_i are:

$$a = \frac{b_1 - b_2}{z_1 - z_2}, \quad b = \frac{b_2 z_1 - b_1 z_2}{z_1 - z_2}, \quad \alpha = z_1 + z_2, \quad \beta = -z_1 z_2. \quad (44)$$

$$z_1 = -z_2 = \sqrt{\epsilon_3 t} + \mathcal{O}(t^{3/2}), \quad (45)$$

$$b_i = b_0 + (-1)^{i-1} a_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_3 t} + \mathcal{O}(t), \quad (i = 1, 2). \quad (46)$$

The 1st: **the right-angle scattering.**

The 2nd: as vortices approach each other in the real space,
the orientations b_i approach each other b_0 !!

The (1,1) patch:

$$H_0^{(1,1)} = \begin{pmatrix} z - \phi & -\eta \\ -\tilde{\eta} & z - \tilde{\phi} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (47)$$

$$\phi = -\tilde{\phi} = -XY + s_1 t + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad (48)$$

$$\eta = X^2 + s_2 t + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad \tilde{\eta} = -Y^2 + s_3 t + \mathcal{O}(t^2), \quad (49)$$

1) $(X, Y) \neq 0$ (generic; the same result with the (0,2) patch)

$$z_1 = -z_2 = \sqrt{\phi^2 + \eta\tilde{\eta}} = \sqrt{st} + \mathcal{O}(t^{3/2}), \quad (50)$$

$$b_i = XY^{-1} + (-1)^i Y^{-2} \sqrt{st} + \mathcal{O}(t), \quad (51)$$

2) $(X, Y) = 0$ (fine tuned collision)

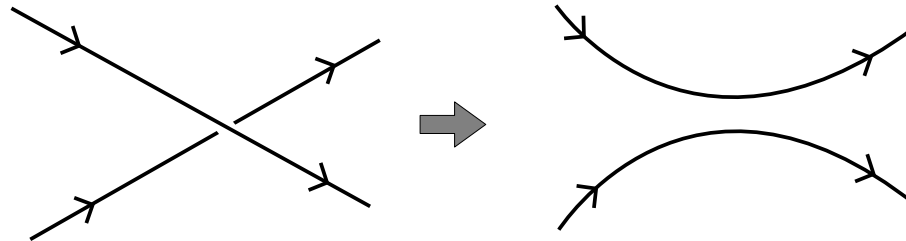
$$z_1 = -z_2 = \sqrt{s_1^2 + s_2 s_3} t + \mathcal{O}(t^{3/2}), \quad (52)$$

$$b_i = s_1 s_3^{-1} + (-1)^{i-1} s_3^{-1} \sqrt{s_1^2 + s_2 s_3} + \mathcal{O}(t^{1/2}), \quad (53)$$

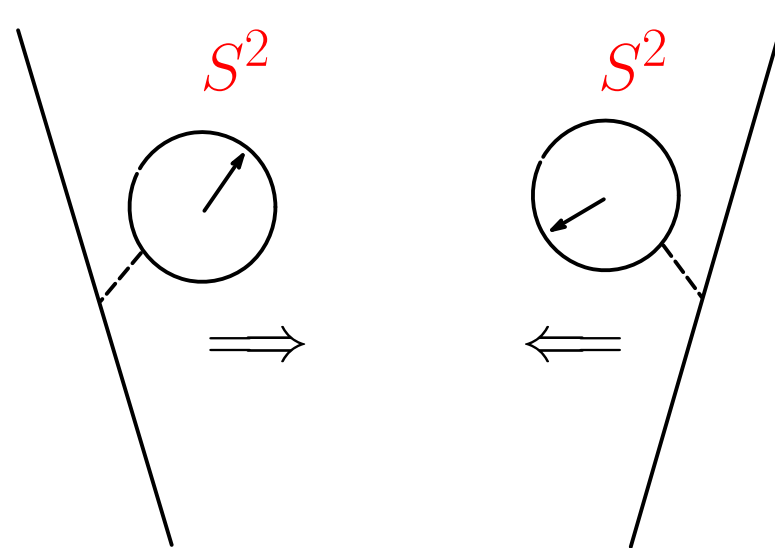
They pass through with arbitrary orientations $b_1 \neq b_2$.

Non-Abelian Cosmic Strings PRL [hep-th/0609214]

Abelian cosmic strings **reconnect** \Rightarrow no cosmic string problem



Do two **non-Abelian** strings **reconnect**?



no reconnection? \Rightarrow **cosmic string problem??** (Polchinski)

The reconnection always occurs

Representation Theory in preparation

$$\mathbb{C}P^{N-1} \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$U(2), k = 2$ collision: $\mathbf{2} \otimes \mathbf{2} = \mathbf{3} \oplus \mathbf{1}$?

Promote color-flavor symmetry z -dependent (loop group)

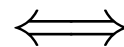
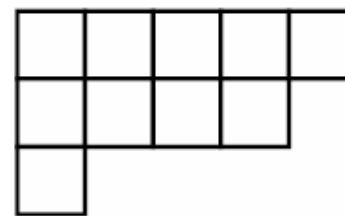
1. Separated: all orientation moduli are *connected*
2. Coincident: orientation moduli are *decomposed* $\mathbf{2} \otimes \mathbf{2} = \mathbf{3} \oplus \mathbf{1}$

$$H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} z^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix} \quad (54)$$

$\mathbf{3} \quad \oplus \quad \mathbf{1}$

$$U(N), k : \quad H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} z^{k_1} & 0 & \cdots & & \\ 0 & z^{k_2} & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & z^{k_N} \end{pmatrix} \quad (55)$$

$$k = \sum_i^N k_i, \quad k_1 \geq k_2 \geq \cdots \geq k_N$$



Young diagram
as if YM instantons

Arbitrary Gauge Groups PLB [arXiv:0802.1020]

Condition on local vortices for $SO(2M), USp(2M)$ (all invariants must have common zeros)

$$H_{0,\text{local}}^T(z) J H_{0,\text{local}}(z) = \prod_{\ell=1}^k (z - z_{0\ell}) J. \quad (56)$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}_M & \mathbf{1}_M \\ \epsilon \mathbf{1}_M & \mathbf{0}_M \end{pmatrix}, \quad (57) \quad \begin{array}{l} \epsilon = +1 \text{ for } SO(2M) \\ \epsilon = -1 \text{ for } USp(2M) \end{array}$$

\Downarrow

$$H_{0,\text{local}} = \begin{pmatrix} (z - a) \mathbf{1}_M & 0 \\ \mathbf{B}_{A/S} & \mathbf{1}_M \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{SO(2M)}{U(M)}, \quad \frac{USp(2M)}{U(M)} \quad (58)$$

We have also constructed multiple vortices.

Arbitrary groups, including exceptional: E_6, E_7, E_8, F_4, G_2

G'	$SU(N)$	$SO(2M + 1)$	$USp(2M), SO(2M)$	E_6	E_7	E_8	F_4	G_2
N	N	$2M + 1$	$2M$	27	56	248	26	7
$C_{G'}$	\mathbf{Z}_N	$\mathbf{1}$	\mathbf{Z}_2	\mathbf{Z}_3	\mathbf{Z}_2	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$
ν	k/N	k	$k/2$	$k/3$	$k/2$	k	k	k

(cf: ADHM of YM instantons exists only for SU, SO, USp)

Many extensions

1. Composite solitons [Hanany-Tong, Shifman-Yung, our group](#)
2. 4D/2D correspondence [Hanany-Tong, Shifman-Yung](#)
3. dyonic NA vortices [our group, Collie](#)
4. semi-local NA strings [Shifman-Yung, our group](#)
5. $\mathcal{N} = 1$ theory [Shifman-Yung, Eto-Hashimoto-Terashima, Tong](#)
6. superconformal theory [Tong](#)
7. non-BPS NA vortices [Auzzi-Eto-Vinci\('07\), Auzzi-Eto-Konishi et.al\('08\)](#)
8. Chern-Simons coupling [Schaposnik et.al, Collie-Tong\('07\)](#)
9. gravity coupling [Aldrovandi](#)
10. Changing geometry
 - (a) on a cylinder \Rightarrow T-duality to walls [our group](#)
 - (b) on $T^2 \Rightarrow$ statistical mechanics [our group, Schaposnik et.al](#)
 - (c) on compact Riemann surface [Popov\('07\), Baptista\('08\)](#)
 - (d) on a discrete space [Ikemori-Kitakado-Otsu-Sato\('08\)](#)

§4. Conclusion / Discussion

1. $U(N)$ vortices in color-flavor locked phase,
 - (a) carry color flux and CP^{N-1} moduli, Hanany-Tong, Konishi *et.al*
 - (b) confine a monopole if Higgs masses are added, Tong, Shifman-Yung
 - (c) allow k -vortex moduli *conjectured* by D-branes Hanany-Tong.
2. The **moduli matrix** offers all necessary tools:
 - (a) general k -vortex solution and moduli space,
 - (b) equivalence to Kähler quotient (D-brane),
 - (c) general formula for Kähler metric on the moduli space,
 - (d) a detailed structure of $k = 2$ vortex moduli space
($k = 2$ coincident moduli, resolution of orbifold singularity),
 - (e) dynamics of $k = 2$ vortex, reconnection of $U(N)$ cosmic strings,
 - (f) (non-)normalizability of semi-local vortex moduli,
 - (g) $1/4$, $1/8$ BPS composite solitons,
 - (h) the partition function of $U(N)$ vortices,

3. The **moduli matrix** also offers all necessary tools to construct vortices in $U(1) \times G'$ with **arbitrary** simple group G' :

(a) **semi-local** vortices for general G' (smaller than $SU(N)$),

(b) **single local** vortex moduli spaces:

$$\frac{SU(N)}{SU(N-1) \times U(1)}, \frac{SO(2M)}{U(M)}, \frac{USp(2M)}{U(M)}$$

Discussion

1. Relation to SO, USp lumps [arXiv:0809.2014 \[hep-th\]](#)

2. More detailed study of SO, USp (multi,...), [in preparation](#)

3. Monopoles in the Higgs phase (1/4 BPS), wall-vortex comp. for general G'

4. toward a proof of GNO duality, [in preparation](#)

5. New kind of vortices = “fractional” vortices, [in preparation](#)

6. D-brane construction for SO, USp ?

Kähler quotient (ADHM) for moduli

§App. T-Duality to Domain Walls and Partition Function

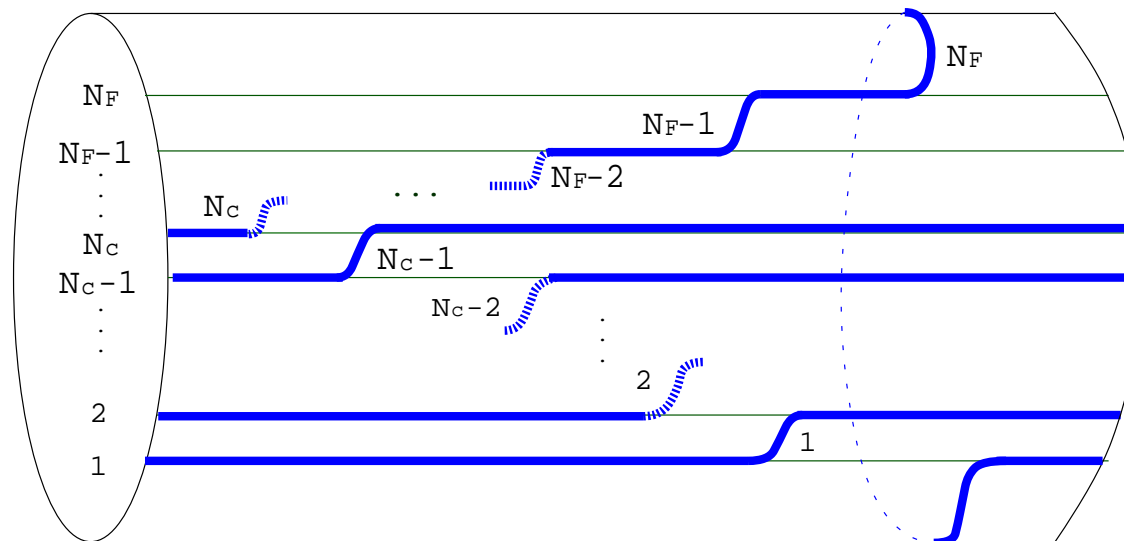
K.Ohta+TiTech, PRD [hep-th/0601181]

Vortices on a cylinder

T-dual \Downarrow

Domain walls

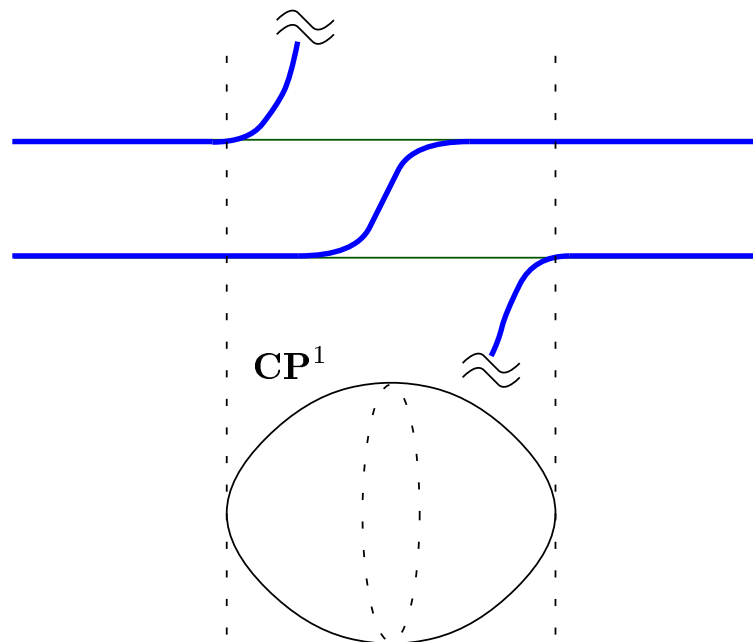
In a D-brane picture, vortices are D1-branes wrapping the cycle.



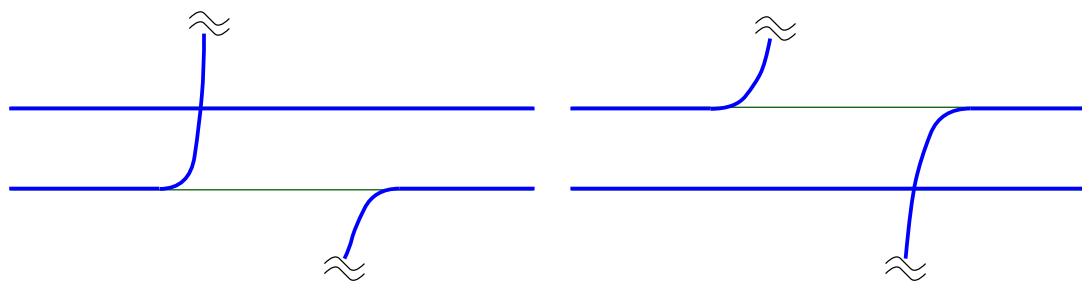
This picture is very nice to understand moduli space of vortices !

The moduli of a single vortex in $U(2)$ $N_F = 2$

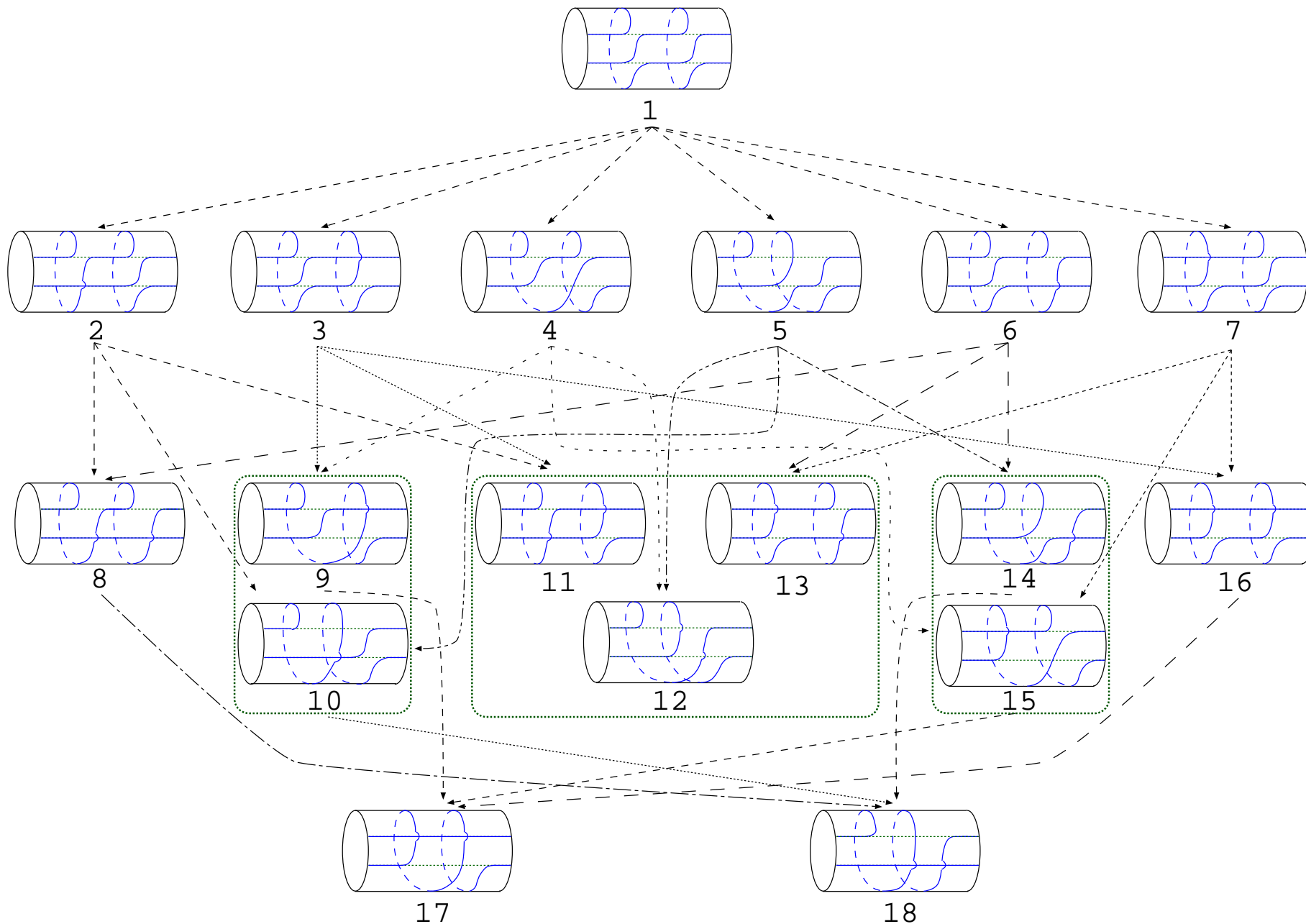
$$\mathcal{M} \simeq \mathbf{R} \times S^1 \times \mathbf{C}P^1$$



Two limits reduce to an Abrikosov-Nielsen-Olesen vortex;

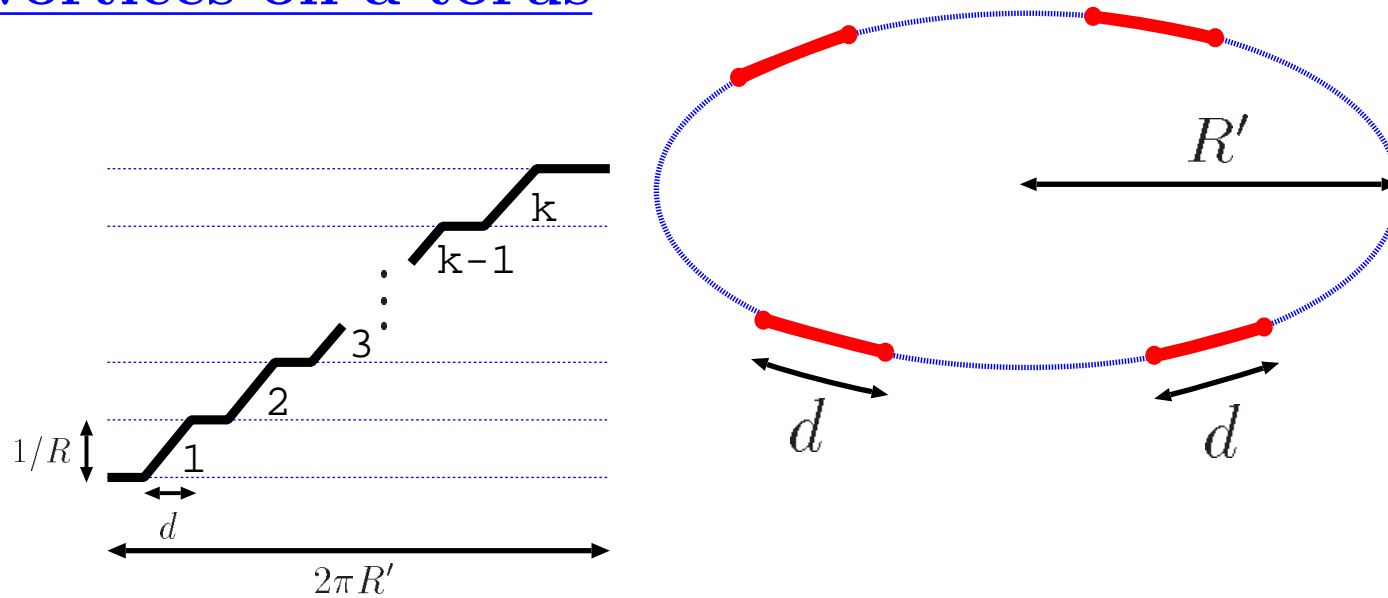


The moduli of double ($k = 2$) vortex in $U(2)$ $N_F = 2$



Partition function K.Ohta+TiTech, NPB[hep-th/0703197]

Abelian k vortices on a torus



gas of 1D hard rods

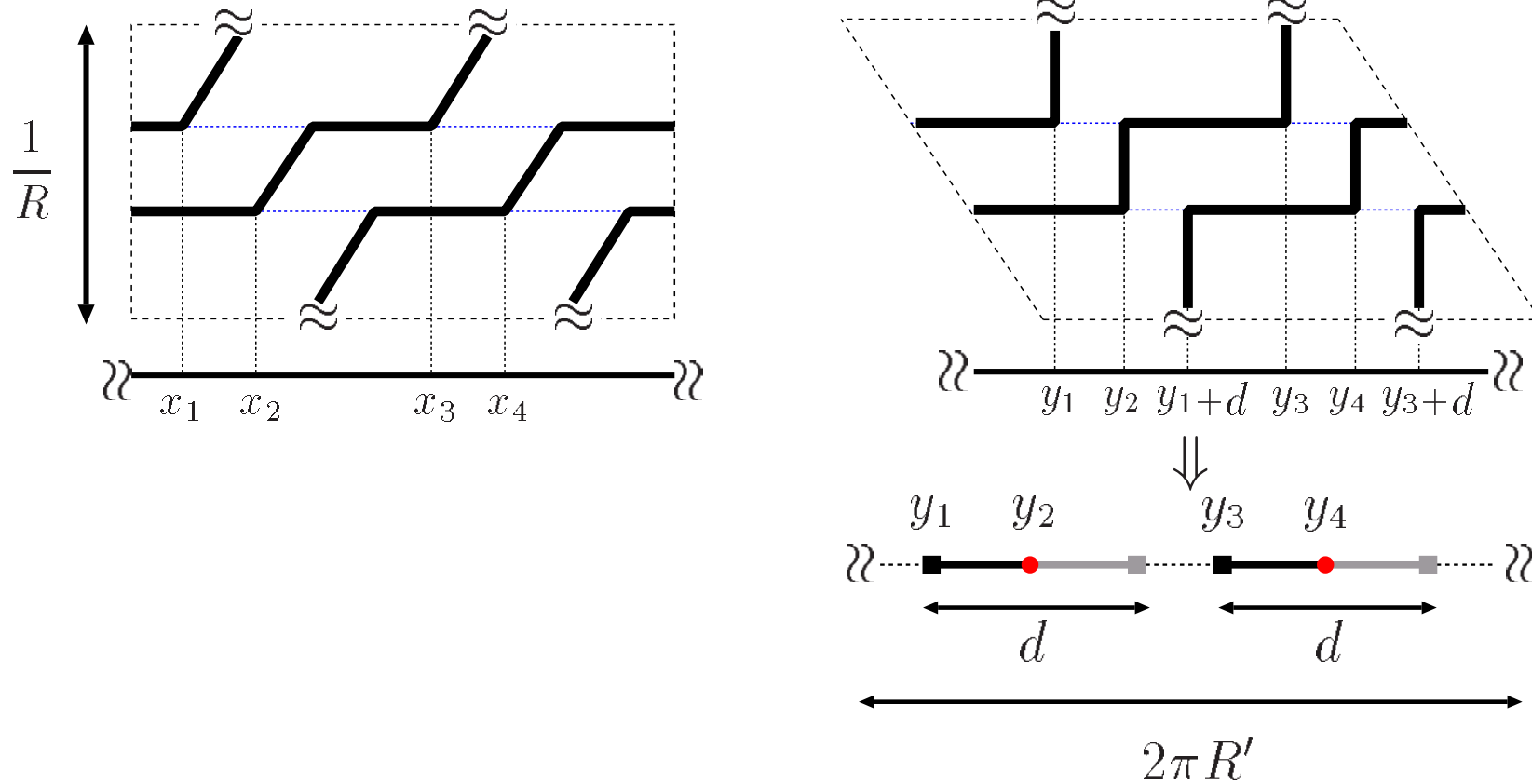
Partition function:

$$Z_{k, T^2}^{N_C=N_F=1} = \frac{1}{k!} (cT)^k A \left(A - \frac{4\pi k}{g^2 c} \right)^{k-1}, \quad (59)$$

A : Area of the torus

\Rightarrow coinciding with the Manton's result, explaining why 1D.

Non-Abelian Vortices on a torus ($N_C = N_F = 2, k = 2$)



1D soft rods with hard pieces

$$Z_{k=2, T^2}^{N_C=2, N_F=2} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} (cT)^4 \left(\frac{4\pi}{g^2 c} \right)^2 A \left(A - \frac{2 \cdot 8\pi}{3 g^2 c} \right) & \text{for } \frac{8\pi}{g^2 c} \leq A \\ \frac{1}{6} (cT)^4 \left(A - \frac{4\pi}{g^2 c} \right)^2 A \left(\frac{16\pi}{g^2 c} - A \right) & \text{for } \frac{4\pi}{g^2 c} \leq A \leq \frac{8\pi}{g^2 c} \end{cases} \quad (60)$$

§App. Arbitrary Gauge Groups PLB [arXiv:0802.1020]

Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4e^2} F_{\mu\nu}^0 F^{0\mu\nu} (W^0) - \frac{1}{4g^2} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} (W^a) + (\mathcal{D}_\mu H_A)^\dagger \mathcal{D}^\mu H_A \\ & - \frac{e^2}{2} \left| H_A^\dagger t^0 H_A - \frac{v^2}{\sqrt{2N}} \right|^2 - \frac{g^2}{2} |H_A^\dagger t^a H_A|^2, \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

gauge group $G = G' \times U(1)$ (indices: $0 \cdots U(1)$, $a \cdots G'$)

G' arbitrary simple group

e : $U(1)$ gauge coupling, g : G' gauge coupling

BPS vortex equations

$$\mathcal{D}_{\bar{z}} H = 0, \quad (62)$$

$$F_{12}^0 - \frac{e^2}{\sqrt{2N}} \left(\text{tr} (H H^\dagger) - v^2 \right) = 0, \quad (63)$$

$$F_{12}^a - \frac{g^2}{4} \left(H^\dagger t_a H \right) = 0, \quad (64)$$

Boundary conditions at $\theta = (0 \sim 2\pi) \in S^1_\infty$

$$H \sim e^{i\alpha(\theta)} U(\theta) \langle H \rangle, \quad e^{i\alpha(\theta)} \in U(1), \quad U(\theta) \in G' \quad (65)$$

$$e^{i\alpha(\theta=2\pi)} = e^{2\pi i\nu} e^{i\alpha(\theta=0)}, \quad U(\theta = 2\pi) = e^{-2\pi i\nu} U(\theta = 0) \quad (66)$$

$e^{2\pi i\nu} \mathbf{1}_N \in C_{G'}$: the **center** of G

G'	$SU(N)$	$SO(2M+1)$	$USp(2M), SO(2M)$	E_6	E_7	E_8	F_4	G_2
N	N	$2M+1$	$2M$	27	56	248	26	7
$C_{G'}$	\mathbf{Z}_N	$\mathbf{1}$	\mathbf{Z}_2	\mathbf{Z}_3	\mathbf{Z}_2	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$
ν	k/N	k	$k/2$	$k/3$	$k/2$	k	k	k

$$S^1_\infty \rightarrow \frac{U(1) \times G'}{C_{G'}} \Leftrightarrow \pi_1 \left(\frac{U(1) \times G'}{C_{G'}} \right) \quad (67)$$

The tension of BPS vortices

$$T = -\frac{v^2}{\sqrt{2N}} \int d^2x F_{12}^0 = v^2[\alpha(2\pi) - \alpha(0)] = 2\pi v^2 \nu = 2\pi v^2 \frac{k}{C_{G'}} \quad (68)$$

The Moduli Matrix Formalism

$$S(z, \bar{z}) = S_e(z, \bar{z})S'(z, \bar{z}) \in U(1)^{\mathbf{C}} \times G'^{\mathbf{C}} \quad (69)$$

$$W_1 + iW_2 = -2iS^{-1}(z, \bar{z})\bar{\partial}S(z, \bar{z}) \quad (70)$$

$$H = S^{-1}H_0(z) = S_e^{-1}S'^{-1}H_0(z), \quad (71)$$

Then the 1st BPS eq:

$$\mathcal{D}_{\bar{z}}H = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_{\bar{z}}H_0 = 0 \quad (72)$$

H_0 : holomorphic matrix called **the moduli matrix**

The other BPS eqs: $e^\psi \equiv S_e S_e^\dagger$, $\Omega \equiv S' S'^\dagger$

$$\bar{\partial}\partial\psi = -\frac{e^2}{4N} (\text{tr}(\Omega_0 \Omega'^{-1})e^{-\psi} - v^2), \quad (73)$$

$$\bar{\partial}(\Omega' \partial \Omega'^{-1}) = \frac{g^2}{8} \text{Tr}(H_0 H_0^\dagger \Omega'^{-1} t_a) e^{-\psi} t_a, \quad (74)$$

the master equations

Constraints

Prepare $G^{C'}$ invariants I^i (with $U(1)$ charge n_i)

$$I_{G'}^i(H) = I_{G'}^i \left(S_e^{-1} S'^{-1} H_0 \right) = S_e^{-n_i} I_{G'}^i(H_0(z)) \quad (75)$$

$$I_{G'}^i(H_0) = S_e^{n_i} I_{G'}^i(H) \sim I_{\text{vev}}^i z^{\nu n_i} = I_{\text{vev}}^i z^{kn_i/n_0} \quad (76)$$

$$\nu = k/n_0, \quad n_0 \equiv \text{GCD}\{n_i \mid I_{\text{vev}}^i \neq 0\}. \quad (77)$$

(GCD = the greatest common divisor)

Condition on H_0

$$\begin{aligned}
SU(N) : \quad \det H_0(z) &= z^k + \mathcal{O}(z^{k-1}), \quad \nu = k/N, \\
SO(2M), USp(2M) : \quad H_0^T(z) J H_0(z) &= z^k J + \mathcal{O}(z^{k-1}), \quad \nu = k/2, \\
SO(2M+1) : \quad H_0^T(z) J H_0(z) &= z^{2k} J + \mathcal{O}(z^{2k-1}), \quad \nu = k, \\
E_6 : \quad \Gamma_{i_1 i_2 i_3} (H_0)^{i_1}_{j_1} (H_0)^{i_2}_{j_2} (H_0)^{i_3}_{j_3} &= z^k \Gamma_{j_1 j_2 j_3} + \mathcal{O}(z^{k-1}), \\
E_7 : \quad d_{i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4} (H_0)^{i_1}_{j_1} (H_0)^{i_2}_{j_2} (H_0)^{i_3}_{j_3} (H_0)^{i_4}_{j_4} &= z^{2k} d_{j_1 j_2 j_3 j_4} + \mathcal{O}(z^{k-1}), \\
f_{i_1 i_2} (H_0)^{i_1}_{j_1} (H_0)^{i_2}_{j_2} &= z^k f_{j_1 j_2} + \mathcal{O}(z^{k-1}), \quad (78)
\end{aligned}$$

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rank inv	—	2	2	3	2, 4	2, 3, 8	2, 3	2, 3
n_0	N	1	2	3	2	1	1	1

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}_M & \mathbf{1}_M \\ \epsilon \mathbf{1}_M & \mathbf{0}_M \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} J_{SO(2M)} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (79) \quad \begin{aligned} \epsilon &= +1 \text{ for } SO(2M) \\ \epsilon &= -1 \text{ for } USp(2M) \end{aligned}$$

Examples of $k = 1$ (minimum)

$$SU(N) : \quad H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} z - a & 0 \\ \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{1}_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (80)$$

$$SO(2M), USp(2M) : \quad H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} z\mathbf{1}_M - \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{C}_{S/A} \\ \mathbf{B}_{A/S} & \mathbf{1}_M \end{pmatrix}. \quad (81)$$

Condition on local vortices

(all invariants must have common zeros)

$$H_{0,\text{local}}^T(z) J H_{0,\text{local}}(z) = \prod_{\ell=1}^k (z - z_{0\ell}) J. \quad (82)$$

$$H_{0,\text{local}} = \begin{pmatrix} z - a & 0 \\ \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{1}_{N-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{SU(N)}{SU(N-1) \times U(1)} \quad (83)$$

$$H_{0,\text{local}} = \begin{pmatrix} (z - a)\mathbf{1}_M & 0 \\ \mathbf{B}_{A/S} & \mathbf{1}_M \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{SO(2M)}{U(M)}, \quad \frac{USp(2M)}{U(M)} \quad (84)$$

Exceptional groups (in preparation)

1. E_6

(a) $\nu = 1/3$ (**non-BPS**): $E_6/SO(10) \times U(1)$

(b) $\nu = 2/3$ (**BPS**): $E_6/SO(10) \times U(1)$

2. E_7

(a) $\nu = 1/2$ (**non-BPS**): $E_7/E_6 \times U(1)$

(b) $\nu = 1$ (**BPS**): $E_7/SO(12) \times U(1)$

3. F_4

(a) $\nu = 1$ (**BPS**): $F_4/USp(6) \times U(1)$

§App. D-brane Configurations

Solitons	codim.	Solutions/Moduli	D-brane Construction
Instanton	4	ADHM ('78)	Dp-D(p+4) Douglas/Witten ('95)
Monopole	3	Nahm ('80)	D(p+1)-D(p+3) Green-Gutpele, Diaconescu ('96)
Vortex	2	EINOS ('05)	Dp-D(p+2)-D(p+4)-NS5 Hanany-Tong ('03)
Wall	1	INOS ('04)	[kinky Dp]-D(p+4) EINOO'S ('04)

Vortices \sim “half” of instantons ('03 Hanany-Tong).

Walls \sim “half” of monopoles ('05 Hanany-Tong).

(The former moduli space is a special Lagrangian submfd. of the latter moduli space.)

§App. Semi-local Vortices

The original meaning

Vortex in symm. breaking of both **global** and **local** symmetries.

$$\Phi = (\phi^1, \phi^2) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha}\Phi g, \quad e^{i\alpha} \in U(1)_L, \quad g \in SU(2)_F \quad (85)$$

$$\langle \Phi \rangle \sim (1, 0) : \quad U(1)_L \times SU(2)_F \rightarrow U(1)_{L+F} \quad (86)$$

1. non-topological:

$$\text{OPS} : \frac{U(1)_L \times SU(2)_F}{U(1)_{L+F}} \simeq S^3, \quad \pi_1(S^3) = 0. \quad (87)$$

2. The **size(width)** of a vortex can be **arbitrary**. It is non-normalizable, **heavy** and **frozen** in dynamics.

3. It is reduced to a skyrmion in strong gauge coupling limit.

$$S^3/U(1)_L \simeq S^2, \quad \pi_2(S^2) \simeq \mathbf{Z} \quad (88)$$

$$\text{The current definition} \quad \pi_1(\text{OPS}) = 0, \quad \pi_1(G_L/H_L) \neq 0$$

Semi-local Strings ($N_F \geq 2, N_C = 1$)

1. Their **relative size** can vary (moduli), while their **total size** is a non-normalizable mode, which is **heavy** and **frozen** in dynamics.
2. Their reconnection was shown by a computer simulation.
[Laguna, Natchu, Matzner and Vachaspati, hep-th/0604177](#)

Non-Abelian Semi-local strings ($N_F > N_C \geq 2$)

1. The internal moduli CP^{N-1} of single vortex is non-normalizable. [Shifman and Yung\('06\)](#)
2. **“relative orientation”** and **“relative size”** are normalizable
[PRD \[arXiv:0704.2218\]](#)
3. In collision, their **sizes** become the **same** and **relative orientation** goes to **zero**, resulting in **reconnection!!**

§App Solitons on solitons

Eto-MN-Ohashi-Tong PRL('05)

$$\begin{array}{l} 1) \quad \mathbf{kink} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbf{vortex} \quad (\text{in } D = 3 + 1) = \mathbf{monopole} \\ \quad \quad \mathbf{1} \quad \quad + \quad \quad \mathbf{2} \quad \quad \quad \quad = \quad \quad \mathbf{3} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 2) \quad \mathbf{vortex} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbf{vortex} \quad (\text{in } D = 4 + 1) = \mathbf{instanton} \\ \quad \quad \mathbf{2} \quad \quad + \quad \quad \mathbf{2} \quad \quad \quad \quad = \quad \quad \mathbf{4} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 3) \quad \mathbf{vortex} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbf{wall} \quad (\text{in } D = 3 + 1) = \mathbf{boojum} \\ \quad \quad \mathbf{2} \quad \quad + \quad \quad \mathbf{1} \quad \quad \quad \quad = \quad \quad \mathbf{3} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} 4) \quad \mathbf{Skyrmion} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbf{wall} \quad (\text{in } D = 4 + 1) = \mathbf{instanton} \\ \quad \quad \mathbf{3} \quad \quad + \quad \quad \mathbf{1} \quad \quad \quad \quad = \quad \quad \mathbf{4} \end{array}$$

(#'s are codimensions)